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IRY PAPER SHOW

Bir'im fought Israel in 1948

By YOEL DAR

Jerusalem Post Reporter
An army diary and other documents just unearthed indicate the residents of Bir'im — who were long campaigned to return to homes from which they were evicted — actually opposed all forces in 1948 rather than being forced to do so.

The former residents of the village of Bir'im, who were evicted in 1948, have said they "fought" the Israeli army in 1948, according to documents that were taken only after the village was captured by the army of Ezer Weizman. They say the villagers contributed money to the army of Ezer Weizman and set a defense post for them.

The documents add that pro-Nazi leader Haim Zvi, who was the head of the Bir'im committee, was the one who organized the defense of the village. The documents, however, show that the residents of a small coastal village, the Greek Catholic village of Dirit — did sur-

render without resistance, as they have said.

The new evidence was presented in Jerusalem earlier this week to the Ministerial Committee on Bir'im and Dirit — chaired by Agriculture Minister Ariel Sharon — which is studying what to do about the villagers, who now live elsewhere in Galilee. It includes the official army battle-diary entry for October 20, 1948; the day an army unit entered Bir'im and Dirit.

According to the diary, the unit had first overcome Arab resistance at nearby Sasa (then an Arab village), which was strongly defended from a hill overlooking the road and from a pillbox which the Arabs had erected. After an infantry assault the IDF occupied the fortified stronghold and the hills north of it and continued advancing all night, blocking the roads north of Bir'im and south of Tarbitha.

The diary reports that an armed detachment then overcame resistance in Bir'im and blocked access to it from the north. Two enemy vehicles and a 75 mm. gun were captured.

have been useless as meanwhile Kaukji's forces were in full flight. On November 7, 1948, the names of all remaining heads of families in Bir'im were registered.

In his evidence in the High Court in November 1961 the Deputy Military Governor denied that the remaining Bir'im residents had been promised that the evacuation of the village was only temporary and short-term. On the contrary, he said, they were warned that they could not return as long as the security authorities would not permit it.

Also presented in evidence in the Dirit surrender document which was signed by three representatives. One of the conditions was that the residents undertook to hand over their arms and ammunition by 10 a.m. of October 31. Another document, dated November 7, in the archive is the order served on the residents of Dirit to evacuate the village — signed by the intelligence officer of the unit. All residents, except the priest, were ordered to move to Rama village for security reasons.

The ministerial committee is now examining a large number of documents and hearing evidence on the events of 1948. Committee chairman Sharon and several officials are now sorting out the documents and letters received on the issue.

Assad favours peace, braces for war

DAMASCUS (AP). — Syrian President Hafez Assad has told his front-line troops they must be ready for war with Israel, but he also urged them to accept a peace settlement.

Assad was addressing officers and men during an inspection tour on Tuesday of forward positions along the front with Israel, the radio said.

and he said that UN Security Council Resolution 242 offers a basis for peace.

The Palestinian Liberation Organization recently refused to embrace the resolution, which would have amounted to a recognition of Israel's right to exist. But Assad said the crucial provision of the resolution is that Israel withdraw from captured West Bank lands.

"We are wholeheartedly for peace, but never for surrender. We are prepared to face every conceivable eventuality — either the peaceful

path or the more difficult option of armed struggle to liberate our lands," said Assad.

Assad apparently was bent on softening the Palestinian stance, after the central council of Yasser Arafat's PLO had turned down American appeals for moderation.

The Syrian leader also was obviously directing his remarks at U.S. President Jimmy Carter, to reassure him that Syria and Egypt will go along with the U.S. efforts to end the Arab-Israeli stalemate.

Suez Canal tunnel construction begins

CAIRO, Egypt (AP). — President Anwar Sadat yesterday inaugurated the start of construction of a \$75m. motor vehicle tunnel under the Suez Canal, which will link Nile Delta with the Sinai Desert.

The 2.6 km. long tunnel is to be built by the Egyptian government and will carry two lanes of traffic. It will also carry water lines for the development of the Sinai, most of which has been under Israeli control since the Six Day War.

Not only would the tunnel provide an easy route to the strategic Mitla Pass, but it also would be impervious to aerial bombardment. It is being constructed at a depth of 45 metres below the canal's surface.

The tunnel is at Sidi Barrani, at the southern end of the Suez Canal about 8 km. north of Suez City. It is named after Ahmed Hamdi, a soldier killed in 1973 when Egyptian forces crossed the Canal on pontoon bridges and overran the Bar Lev Line.

Completed next year. Approaches on either side of the Canal have been built and together with the section being built under the waterway, the tunnel will be about 1,000 metres long.

Sadat inaugurated the site of a planned tunnel when the Canal reopened on June 5, 1975 — the anniversary of the start of the 1967 war. But that site had to be abandoned because engineers discovered that it was too rocky.

Sharp increase in consumer price index

By SHLOMO MAOZ

Jerusalem Post Reporter
The consumer price index rose in August by 3.9 per cent — the highest monthly increase since the beginning of the year. The sharp increase is attributed to the Treasury's subsidies on July 17.

The cost-of-living allowance rose next month by 2.9 per cent, and each tax credit point will be IL177 instead of IL157.

The maximum cost-of-living allowance will be IL530 a month, for monthly income, according to the ceiling of IL2,500 per month. As in October, the income bracket for tax purposes will be raised nine per cent (70 per cent of the 12.75 per cent price inflation over the last base for the purpose of calculating

the cost-of-living allowance.) October's cost-of-living allowance is 70 per cent of the increase in price, between the average of last December-January-February and the average of June-July-August.

According to the Central Bureau of Statistics, the consumer price index rose in August to 135.5 points (base: average 1975 = 100). In the first eight months of the year, the price index rose by 16.3 per cent. If fruits and vegetables are excluded, the increase was 17 per cent. The wholesale price index jumped in August by 4.4 per cent and rose since January by 26.7 per cent.

The most important increase last month was in food — mainly as a result of the economic measures of July 17. Home maintenance rose by

8.1 per cent, furniture by 3.8 per cent, health expenditures by 4.6 per cent, transport and communications by 3.3 per cent, and education and culture expenses by 2.9 per cent. In the cost of apparel and footwear, there was a two per cent decline, and fruits and vegetables fell by six per cent.

The prices of apparel and footwear are expected to go up in September with the beginning of the winter sales season. The prices of vegetables and fruits, which jumped up sharply before Rosh Hashana, are expected to remain at a higher level than in August. In addition, the cost of tuition will go up, as will the costs of postal services, the rise of which was not fully reflected in the August index.

Indian colonel thwarts Australian abductor

NEW DELHI (Reuters). — India's army attaché in Australia saved himself and his wife from an abduction attempt yesterday, though they were from a kidnapping in the past.

He thwarted the gateway car in a desolate road.

Upper, turbaned Indian Army colonel Iqbal Singh, 45, was wounded again as he and his wife grabbed the assailant, who then fled into a bush.

drama as hundreds of police using tracker dogs hunted the assailant. The would-be abductor, described by police as an Australian aged about 23, had broken into the home of Colonel Singh before dawn, burst through the locked bedroom door and plunged a dagger into the sleeping diplomat's chest.

They said the man pointed a .22 calibre rifle at the wounded military attaché and his wife, Darsana, forcing them outside and into a car. The colonel was made to drive the

car, but in a bid to save his wife and himself he suddenly swerved off the road into bushes. Ajamari reported. Singh and his wife, who was in the back of the car, overpowered the man, but the colonel received another stab wound in the chest.

Mrs. Singh drove her wounded husband to hospital where he underwent emergency surgery. His condition was later reported to be satisfactory.

The attempted abduction followed a series of incidents against the Indian High Commission in recent months. The commission building was gutted by fire in August, causing damage estimated at \$250,000. Police have since placed a permanent guard on the building.

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More violations

The chief of staff, Rav-Aluf Mordechai Gur, told the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee yesterday that the Egyptians are continuing to violate the interim agreement with Israel in the area east of the Suez Canal.

The committee also discussed the situation in southern Lebanon and Israel's position with respect to the Lebanese government, the Syrians and the Palestinians.

Ehrlich plans to visit South Africa

Jerusalem Post Staff

Finance Minister Simcha Ehrlich is planning to travel to South Africa in November to seek investments in return for Israeli technological expertise, Treasury sources said yesterday.

Details of the visit, the first ever by an Israeli minister in South Africa, will be worked out in a meeting between Ehrlich and South African Finance Minister Owen Horwood in Washington, where both are attending a meeting of the International Monetary Fund.

According to one report Ehrlich is seeking \$40m. worth of South African investments in Israel.

Israel's ties with South Africa have caused widespread protest among third world countries who have been accusing the two countries of military cooperation.

Last year the Labour government quietly postponed a planned visit to South Africa by then-Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz, as

part of a deliberate attempt to "keep a low profile" in relations with South Africa. This trend would probably have been strengthened still further after the elections, had Labour emerged victorious, according to informed observers.

In the last year, the two countries did \$72m. worth of trade of which Israel imported about \$45m. worth of food, metal and textiles and exported about \$27m. worth of food, machine parts, textiles and chemicals to South Africa.

Israel and South Africa recently signed an agreement to eliminate double taxation on citizens of the two countries. Further strengthening of economic ties between the two countries could also be seen in Bank of Israel Governor Arnon Gafny's recent trip to South Africa. Gafny returned to Israel last Saturday from a short trip in which he lectured on the Israeli economy. According to foreign reports, he also sought South African investment.

Bulgarians edge Israel's hoop squad

By PAUL KOHN

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter
In a nail-biting ending, a composed Bulgarian squad defeated Israel 88 to 86 in the first game of the European Basketball Championships in Liege last night.

Three seconds before the end, the sides were level at 85 to 85, when Bulgaria's Pevchev landed the winning hoop. In the last two minutes of play, the nervous Israelis strove to stay level until the final bell in order to play extra time.

The Israeli hoopers let slip an 11-point lead, 65 to 57, attained in a second half streak, after trailing 40 to 42 at halftime.

The first half was evenly fought, and while Harry Leibowitz was giving the Bulgarians plenty of trouble

with clever playing, and Steve Kaplan was shooting well, glaring weaknesses emerged in the Israeli squad. Yehoshua Schwarz was poor in his shooting, newcomer Pinhas Horvitz was nervous, and Mickey Berkowitz was having an off-day. Only at the start of the second period did Berkowitz shine with eight quick hoops to get Israel into the lead against the much taller Bulgarians.

For Israel, Kaplan was best marksman with 20 points, followed by Boaz Yarnal, 16; Leibowitz and Berkowitz, 14 points each.

Israel plays Italy tonight (to be broadcast by radio live at 8:30 p.m.) and against the USSR on Saturday night (live on radio and television).

In an earlier game last night, the USSR beat Austria 101 to 61.

Carter to press Dayan to accept Pan-Arab team

By WOLF BLITZER

Jerusalem Post Correspondent
WASHINGTON. — On the eve of Moshe Dayan's arrival for talks on Monday with President Carter, the State Department said that "serious consideration should be given to a proposal to have a pan-Arab delegation attend a reconvened Geneva peace conference." Carter himself will present the proposal to the Israeli Foreign Minister.

The suggestion for the pan-Arab delegation, which is backed strongly by Syria, has already been officially rejected by Israel.

At the State Department's daily press briefing yesterday, however, spokesman Hoddin Carter said this proposal should be considered seriously in order to skirt the question of Palestinian representation at Geneva. The spokesman reiterated that Palestinians must participate at the conference, but he left open the question of which Palestinians.

He said there were other options still being considered on the tough question — the Arabs want the PLO to attend, Israel opposes participation of the terrorist organization — but it was clear here that the U.S. was now giving preference to the concept of a pan-Arab delegation.

Syrian President Assad has stated that such a grouping would represent Palestinian interests. African officials, in explaining why they oppose this proposal, make the point that the conference would immediately break down into smaller working groups involving separate Israeli negotiations with individual Arab states. But Israel nevertheless opposes the concept.

The spokesman said the proposal

for a pan-Arab delegation would be raised with Dayan, who is due to arrive in New York today. On Sunday, he flies to Washington.

In Jerusalem last night, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said Dayan "will be happy to discuss any idea that helps the Middle East peace effort. But we have opposed the idea of a single Arab delegation in the past as impractical and our position is unchanged."

"If we want to discuss peace with Egypt, we should sit with the Egyptians, and the same applies to the other Arab delegations," the spokesman said.

Meanwhile, another possible difference between Israel and the U.S. was beginning to surface yesterday. The State Department said President Carter might possibly raise the question of human rights on the West Bank during his talks with Dayan.

Earlier in the week, the spokesman said that the U.S. would advise Israel to allow a "respected international delegation" to investigate allegations of organized torture by Israeli military authorities on the West Bank in order to clear up the matter. The State Department does not accept the premise of Israeli torture, a spokesman said. But he noted that Israel should allow the matter to be resolved once and for all.

A spokesman said that such an investigation — he specifically suggested that the International Committee for the Red Cross come to the West Bank — would be "useful" in order to support Israel's contentions that the charges of torture are without foundation.

Dayan in Brussels: Hussein has future

Jerusalem Post Staff

BRUSSELS. — Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan arrived here yesterday for one-day consultations with Israeli ambassadors in Europe and Common Market officials, on his way to Middle East talks in the U.S.

Before leaving Tel Aviv, Dayan said Israel differs with the U.S. on the question of Palestinian representation at Middle East peace talks, rejecting the notion that the question of Palestinian representation at Geneva is "procedural."

"In fact, it may be the most significant question," he said, commenting on Monday's State Department statement that Palestinian representatives will have to be at Geneva for the Palestinian question to be solved.

Dayan said he was not pleased "at all" with Monday's U.S. statement. He insisted that the Palestine Liberation Organization is no partner to negotiations. Israel will not negotiate with it even if the PLO accepts UN Security Council Resolution 242 and even if the Arabs and the U.S. authorize it to represent the Palestinians, he said.

Dayan said the Palestinians "could and can participate — but not on their own. They should be part of the Jordanian delegation."

In answer to questions at his Brussels meeting with 100 European Jewish leaders, Dayan reiterated that a separate Palestinian delegation would mean a step towards ultimate "recognition of a separate Palestinian entity."

In regard to Jordan's King Hussein, Dayan said: "Do not let us belittle his status in the future. The day may come when the Palestinians will find their national self-expression as Jordanians, since most Jordanians are anyway Palestinians."

The foreign minister, who is expected to spend several weeks in the U.S., and to attend the UN opening later this month, is carrying a proposed peace treaty with Egypt, which should serve as a model for Jordan, Syria and Lebanon. An accompanying letter to Vance outlines Israel's concepts of her future borders, but the Americans will be asked not to pass its contents to the Arabs.

The proposed treaty "is more of a document based on principles," Dayan told the Tel Aviv press conference.

Asked in Brussels about the role of the Common Market countries could play in a Middle East settlement, Dayan said, "I certainly would not like them to send us other statements of the kind condemning Israel without talking to us, as they did in the past. I don't think this was a very constructive attitude."

He was referring to the June 3 London summit of Common Market heads of government, when the Nine called for a Palestinian homeland.

This morning, Dayan will meet with Belgian Foreign Minister Henri Simonet, current chairman of the European Common Market Council.

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Golan 48/35	16-23	29
Nahariya 65/45	19-30	30
Safed 53/35	18-25	28
Haifa Port 61/41	19-29	29
Tiberias 52/34	18-24	26
Nazareth 48/35	18-27	28
Afula 50/37	17-26	27
Shimon 63/43	21-28	29
B-G Airport 47/30	19-30	31
Jericho 43/20	20-34	34
Gaza 63/43	25-38	39
Beersheba 42/28	18-30	31
Eilat 27/14	24-34	34
Tiran Straits 30/25	25-33	33

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

A delegation from Britain's Royal College of Defence Studies, led by Admiral Sir Ian Easton, called yesterday on Defence Minister Ezer Weizman.

Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek yesterday visited a number of sheikhs and mukhtars in East Jerusalem on the occasion of Eid el-Fitr.

An Oneg Shabbat will be held at 9 p.m. tonight, at Doud Shivat Zion, 86 Rehov Ben Yehuda, Tel Aviv. Tourists are invited to meet Alex Levine, South African settler, and others, and Ariel Chapman, Tour Va'aleh World Zionist Organization Aliya Department.

ARRIVALS

Sir Israel Brodie, former Chief Rabbi of Britain and Lady Brodie, to spend the High Holy Days in Israel.

DEPARTURES

Avraham Shavit, president of the Manufacturers Association, to Nice, on behalf of Israel Bonds.

Peres to Europe

TEL AVIV. — Labour Party chairman Shimon Peres leaves today for Denmark and Holland where he will meet with the respective prime ministers of those countries. Peres is due to attend the convention of the Danish Social Democratic Party as guest of Prime Minister Anker Jorgensen. Next week he is scheduled to be in Holland, as guest of its Labour party, and to meet with Prime Minister Joop den Uyl.

Edward Heath to visit

LONDON. — Former Conservative Premier Edward Heath will visit Israel in November. He will address the annual Balfour Day dinner of the British-Israeli Commonwealth Association, which this year will mark the 60th anniversary of the Balfour Declaration. Heath was last in Israel when Leader of the Opposition in 1969.

Nahum Nardi funeral

TEL AVIV. — The funeral of composer Nahum Nardi will leave at 1 p.m. today from the municipal funeral parlour in Rehov Dafna for the Kiryat Shaul cemetery, the municipality announced. Buses will be available. Nardi, 76, died on Tuesday night of a heart attack.

Ministry committee on matric secrecy: A 'bank' of exams or a 'bank' of questions

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Two alternatives to the present system of matriculation examinations are recommended by the Wertheimer Committee, which was appointed by the Director General of the Education Ministry following the leaking of some examinations in June. The committee submitted its report yesterday.

Under the first alternative, at least six versions of each exam paper would be prepared. The actual version to be used on a particular examination date would be chosen by lot as late as possible (not leaving more time than absolutely necessary for the printing). Only two or three persons would participate in the choice by lot.

The second alternative calls for the creation of a bank of questions (100-200 questions in each subject) rather than a bank of exam papers. The committee describes this alternative as the "more far-reaching" change. This alternative is itself subdivided into two possibilities.

Under the first, the questions would be kept secret, and the selection of the actual questions to be used (and printed) would be made as late as possible.

Under the second possibility, the whole stock of 100-200 questions would be distributed to the pupils well in advance of the examination date. The actual questions to be used would be decided not earlier than 48 hours before the examination date and the numbers of these questions would be broadcast over radio and television.

The committee, which was headed by Dr. Mordechai Wertheimer, urges that one of these two alternatives be adopted in time to be used for next summer's examinations.

The committee recommends the transfer of the printing of the exams to the Government Printer (from the Ramat company), saying that this is likely to make for tighter security. In the introductory chapter of the 54-page report, the committee notes that on August 31, when the committee was almost finished with its work, Education Minister Zevulun Hammer announced that he intended to appoint a new committee to examine whether matriculation examinations should be retained altogether.

The committee points out that today a matriculation certificate is required for admission to the great majority of higher institutions of learning. If the matriculation examinations are abolished, those institutions may find it necessary to administer achievement examinations that are similar in scope to the present matriculation examinations.

If the ministry finds itself unable to implement one of the two alternatives in its entirety for use next summer, at the very least it should do so with respect to the major examinations, that is those taken by the largest number of pupils. Even in this transition programme, the execution should be turned over to the Government Printer, the committee urges.

It also recommends that teachers should not be assigned to proctor matriculation examinations in the schools where they teach.

The committee examined the possibilities of employing methods that would obviate the need of printing examinations altogether, such as transmitting the questions by radio and television, by slides, or by teleprinter, computer terminals, or other mechanized communications systems.

However, the report says, the committee was unable to explore all these, and other, possibilities in depth. It suggests that this job be turned over to experts.

The committee notes that at present there are no laws or regulations governing the preparation and execution of the matriculation examinations. It urges that this be remedied, and that appropriate penalties be prescribed for persons who make illegal use of exam papers, booklets, and grades. A "clear, detailed, and obligatory" procedure should be laid down for all stages of the work connected with the examinations.

Two pages of the report are devoted to a weighing of the advantages and disadvantages of the alternatives the committee recommends.

Of particular interest is a disadvantage listed for this preparation of a bank of 100-200 questions which would be made available to pupils in advance.

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'Ha'aretz' responds to Mizrahi suit

TEL AVIV (Itim). — "Ha'aretz" responded yesterday to the Lilin libel suit filed against the newspaper by hotelier Bezalel Mizrahi, saying that Mizrahi was named as a leader of the underworld as part of a campaign to increase public awareness about Israel's crime problem.

Mizrahi is suing "Ha'aretz," its editor, Gershon Schocken, and reporter Avi Valentin for an article by Valentin in which Mizrahi was alleged to have a central role in the diamond and drugs smuggling racket. Mizrahi, a hotelier and contractor, claimed the "Ha'aretz" story was harmful "character assassination."

In its response to the suit, the paper claims that the article of articles on organized crime in which Mizrahi was named were intended to increase the public's awareness of the crime problem, and had led eventually to the appointment of the Bochner committee to study crime in Israel.

"Ha'aretz" claimed that other newspapers had also mentioned Mizrahi as having underworld connections — even before Valentin's article was published. It added that Mizrahi did not have a "good name" before the publication of the

story so there were no grounds for paying damages.

(Most of the reports allegedly connecting Mizrahi to the underworld followed the trial of Micha Rokem for trying to extort Lilin from the hotelier.)

The paper denied that any real damage was caused to Mizrahi by the publication of the Valentin article adding that "the plaintiff by his deeds and his actions, brought upon himself (adverse) publicity in the press."

pean country, but in response to questioning the official said that it was not British.

Atherton was appearing before the House International Relations Subcommittee on the Middle East, which had called the hearing to discuss the Administration's proposed \$250m. sale of C-130 military transport planes, pilotless reconnaissance drones and other equipment to Egypt. But the hearing quickly focused on the Migs engine proposal, which aroused concern in the subcommittee.

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U.S. gives go-ahead for technical aid in maintaining Egyptian Migs

WASHINGTON. — The U.S. government has told two major American arms manufacturers that they may accept a role in the maintenance and rehabilitation of Egypt's 200 Mig-21 fighter bombers, assistant secretary of state Alfred Atherton said yesterday.

The two U.S. companies, Lockheed and General Electric, would provide technical services to an unnamed European country, which would be the prime contractor in the programme with Egypt, Atherton said. He refused to name the Euro-

pean country, but in response to questioning the official said that it was not British.

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PFLP to boycott Damascus parley

BEIRUT (Reuters). — The largest of the "rejectionist" Palestinian terrorist groups said yesterday it will boycott a Palestinian policy-making conference in Damascus tomorrow.

Bassam Abu Sherif, official spokesman for George Habis's Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, said the PFLP would maintain its past refusal to attend any meetings of the Palestine Central Council.

The PFLP is the leading group in the so-called rejection front, which opposes any negotiated settlement of the Middle East conflict.

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Bezalel Mizrahi

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Begin, Carter discuss allegations of torture

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Prime Minister Menachem Begin told President Jimmy Carter in Washington last June that he was satisfied there was no truth in the allegation that Israel tortures Arab detainees, according to a statement issued yesterday by the Prime Minister's spokesman.

The subject was raised by the President during the two leaders' tête-à-tête in Carter's private office.

Begin told Carter that any isolated instances of excess force were tried and punished as Israeli law required, the statement read.

The Premier asked for a full report on the whole subject immediately upon taking office, since he had been troubled by the "Sunday Times" report just prior to that time alleging that Israel did systematically mistreat prisoners under interrogation. Begin was

satisfied, on the basis of queries, that the allegation founded.

(Earlier this week the Department spokesman re-contacts "at the highest between the U.S. and Israel matter. He was apparently to the Carter-Begin is spokesman said there was dependent evidence to charges that torture was b in Israel, notwithstanding Swiss organization's assert contrary.)

Meanwhile, it was last Premier sent a message to of the "Sunday Times," Evans, informing him steps he had taken to end on the torture issue. The was conveyed to Evans by president of the Board of D British Jews, Lord F Camden.

Price controls to be lifted from competitive products

By SHLOMO MAOZ
Jerusalem Post Reporter.
Within less than a month, the Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Tourism will lift price controls on scores of products, reducing these goods and services still subject to controls to about half the number it was two months ago.

Only 13 per cent of all industrial output will remain under price controls. The prices of basic foodstuffs, which account for 33 per cent of the output of the food industries, will remain controlled. So will some 19 per cent of the light industries, three to four per cent of the textiles and metal branches, and nine per cent of chemical products.

The ministry's policy, in cooperation with the public price committee which includes representatives of the Histadrut, consumers' organizations, manufacturers, chambers of commerce and other government departments, will be to abolish price controls on all products subject to effective domestic competition or to competition from imports. In practice, this means all cases where import duties are not so high as to eliminate competition.

But ministry officials will continue to scrutinize price increases of products from which the have been lifted. In cases justified price hikes, the of reducing controls will be reduced. In the last two months have been lifted from products and, with the notation of soft drinks, for which rose sharply, there has evidence of steep increase.

Products on which price have been abolished in the months include: aluminum plates, light bulbs, electric switchboard working tools, ink, stain household goods, jams, tins, frozen liver, roast linens, working clothes; car batteries.

In some cases, ministrists are removing the controls, in real terms. Thus, washing powders and materials rose since July per cent, while the consumer index rose by 74 per cent. Prices increased by 89 per cent in the same period. Similar occurred with socks, standard refrigerators, formica — price control posed after the producers a permit to form a cartel.

IAI post said offered to Caspi

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Defence Minister Ezer Weizman has reportedly asked Eliahu Caspi, director of Tadiran, to take over management of the Israel Aircraft Industries when his current manager, Al Schwimmer, retires on October 1.

Caspi last night refused to confirm the report or to say what his decision would be, according to Israel Radio. Weizman's assistant Schwimmer last week asked him to stay on at IAI until a suitable replacement could be found. Schwimmer, who is still reportedly hurt at having been passed over for the position of chairman of the IAI board, refused.

Earlier this month Weizman reportedly approached former OC Air Force Mordechai Hod to take the position, but Hod apparently decided to remain in the air transport field. He also reportedly being replaced by Mordechai Ben-Ari. Another candidate for the IAI job was Yehoshua Caspi, 53, who has left IAI, according to Israel Radio. He is leaving Tadiran, to take over the management of the IAI. He is a former IAI employee, who has been in the IAI for 10 years. He was mentioned by Roth and Gabriel Gidder, IAI management officials.

El Al works committees unite

By LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The eight works committees at El Al agreed yesterday to establish a group representing

Jordan Exploration ces police probe

By SHLOMO MASOZ
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Police will investigate the Jordan Exploration and Investment Co. on the basis of a complaint filed by the Securities Authority. The company's majority holder and board chairman is millionaire Louis H. Barnett. The company has in the last few years carried out several transactions in which the company acquired real estate rights and paid for them with its own shares. Jordan Exploration has risen steeply in the company's assets. The allocation of shares in connection with these transactions did not require the publication of a prospectus, because the shares were not offered to the public but only to individuals.

It now appears that most of the shares allocated to the company were found their way to the general public, without a prospectus having been published. The complaint filed by the Securities Authority refers to the fact that the company's shares in 1968 may have been pressed by these manufactured shares. The shares given to companies in exchange for estate were not, however, entered for trade on the stock exchange, because such registration requires the publication of a prospectus.

In December 1976, Jordan Exploration reported to the Securities Authority a transaction with the Mellor Co. Ltd., according to which the latter sold Jordan Exploration real estate in Jerusalem in exchange for 825,362 Jordan shares of 11.25 nominal value, and a market value of over 11.25. The real estate sold to Jordan Exploration shortly before that deal had been purchased from the Israel Land Development Co.

Nave Meli, a company registered in Israel, with a paid-up share capital of a mere 11.25, is owned by two Vadus-based corporations. There are suspicions that this company made land deals in foreign currency, in breach of the foreign currency regulations, the Securities Authority said.

In addition, land betterment taxes were apparently paid only once, although there were two distinct sales, the Authority said.

In March 1977, Jordan Exploration made a similar deal with the Dizengoff Centre Co., whose main shareholders are Tel Aviv contractor, Aryeh Pitz and MK Samuel Yisroel-Sharon. In this deal, Jordan Exploration sold to the Dizengoff Centre 358,000 shares of 11.25 nominal value — which at the stock exchange quotations were worth 11.25. In exchange for rental rights in Dizengoff Centre. Half of these shares have found their way to the general public.

A similar deal is now being negotiated involving the allocation of 770,000 shares valued at some 11.25. But in this case, Jordan Exploration has decided to publish a prospectus, the draft of which is now being examined by the Securities Authority.

Informed sources point out that sales of shares outside the stock exchange are subject to capital gains tax, and that it is possible that the people who bought such Jordan Exploration shares were not aware of that and purchased them in the belief that they are equivalent and tradeable on the same terms as shares registered on the exchange.



Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan with his wife Rachel at Ben-Gurion airport before departure to Europe and the U.S. (Camera 13)

Soviets silence dissident by ordering him to leave

By DAN FISHER
Washington Post News Service

MOSCOW. — Valentin Turzhin, a central figure in the dissident ranks of Soviet dissidents, was told on Monday that he has one month in which to leave for Israel.

Turzhin, a computer specialist who founded the Moscow branch of Amnesty International, said he would go on with his wife and two sons to the U.S., where he would accept a teaching offer from Columbia University.

The 46-year-old English-speaking mathematician had been acting as a spokesman for several dissident groups since the arrests earlier this year of Alexander Ginzburg, Anatoly Shcharansky and Yuri Orlov — all leaders of the so-called "Helsinki group" set up by Orlov to monitor Soviet performance under human rights provisions of the 1975 European Security Conference.

Fellow dissidents and friends of Turzhin interpreted the action as another in a seemingly inconsistent series of steps that beneath the surface are all aimed at silencing its most vocal opponents. Several of the dissident movement's most prominent personalities have either been jailed or forced — directly or indirectly — to leave the country.

Unlike the so-called "refuseniks" who have long wanted to leave but are not allowed to emigrate, Turzhin had been content to stay here until relatively recently. He had lost his job in a Moscow computer institute in 1974 after speaking out in favour of dissident physicist Andrei Sakharov. He hadn't worked since he was told he would never be allowed to work as a scientist again in the Soviet Union.

He had been called in for questioning regarding the cases against Ginzburg and Orlov and was threatened with jail himself for refusing to answer questions.

"He had a choice," one friend said sardonically on Monday night — "to go to the West or to the East (Siberia)."

Turzhin wrote a letter to Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev in July asking that he be allowed to move temporarily to the U.S. He was told he could only leave on a permanent basis, and then only to Israel. The Soviet government usually requires that those wishing to emigrate to Israel have relatives there, but Turzhin was told that his invitation from Columbia would suffice.

Aliya activists oppose bid to seek pardon for Prisoners of Zion

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Representatives of Soviet immigrants' associations yesterday protested a decision by the Brussels Conference on Soviet Aliya to ask the Russian authorities to pardon Prisoners of Zion on the occasion of the October Revolution's 60th anniversary.

Appearing at a session of the Knesset Aliya and Absorption Committee, David Ya'acobi of the Coordinating Committee of Aliya Activists, explained his opposition to the decision, which was reached by the Brussels Conference presidium earlier this month.

Fighting for emigration, he said, is not a crime and should not require a pardon. All Prisoners of Zion who have been freed, except for one, have immigrated to Israel, Ya'acobi noted. Their struggle to leave has aroused the interest and sympathies of tens of thousands of Jews abroad.

Yehozkel Polravitz, chairman of the Association of Prisoners of Zion, told committee chairman Gulla Cohen that the conference should convene in Jerusalem and not in Brussels. He also stated that the term "repatriation" should be used in regard to Soviet Aliya and not "emigration."

The Brussels Conference was established over a year ago by Jews and non-Jews to formulate plans for increasing public pressure on the Soviet government to increase emigration.

least some of them were professionally not up to par.

Prof. Maier claimed that he had tried to find someone to head a new surgery department for four years, without success, before Jerky agreed to come to the hospital. He felt that the move was primarily a result of the forthcoming move to the hospital's new medical centre and the fear of a new and bigger institution.

Prof. Maier seemed most upset, however, at the so-called proof of the English-speaking cabal, a letter, which he said had been removed from his private files. He said the letter was written in 1974 by a doctor in New York who said he was happy to come to an institution which had other Americans.

Shaare Zedek denies favouring English-speaking doctors

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The director-general of Shaare Zedek Hospital in Jerusalem, Prof. David Maier, yesterday dismissed as "pure nonsense" an accusation that the hospital favours "Anglo-Saxon" doctors.

The accusation, aired in a meeting of doctors on Friday, was yesterday reported in a morning newspaper. The Jerusalem Post learned that the main source of contention was the new surgery department set up last year under the direction of Dr. Jerry Jerky, a South African immigrant.

Many of the doctors who came to assist Jerky were also English-speaking. At the same time the hospital has let other doctors go. Prof. Maier said he could not discuss the cases of the doctors who left, but other sources told The Post that at

Experts propose Haifa-Jordan canal

By DAVID KRIVINE
Post Economic Correspondent

A cross-country canal dropping from Haifa to Lake Kinneret, 210 metres below sea-level, could provide cheaper electricity than a conventional power station and at a lower investment than required for an alternatively proposed Mediterranean-Dead Sea canal, according to a panel of experts.

The proposed canal would not flood the Kinneret with salt water since it is planned to terminate south of the lake where it would flow into the drying-up Jordan River.

The panel of economists, engineers and geologists appointed by Tel Aviv University was formed to query a previous report by Prof. Shlomo Eckstein, which recommended digging a tunnel in the south, from Ashdod to the Dead Sea.

Nothing was done about that, because the cost of the electricity would be excessive. The Eckstein plan rejected the northern canal alternative (first thought up by an engineer called Shlomo Gur) for a number of reasons, among them that it would salinate Lake Kinneret, and that pouring sea water into the Jordan River would provoke world-wide opposition.

The Tel Aviv research team's report points out new facts. If nothing is done by the Israelis, it says, the Jordan River is going to dry up anyway.

The Jordan government is building an irrigation network which is about to drain off the waters of the Yarmuk. By 1981-82 the Jordan River will start degenerating into something like a sewage channel. The canal scheme, on the other hand, would keep the waters of the Jordan flowing.

Cautioning that all this requires systematic investigation by experts in the field, the Tel Aviv team concludes that there is already enough evidence to justify a serious review of the whole topic.

A small project would produce 80 megawatts of current, at an investment of \$100m. The Negev tunnel (which must take a roundabout route to avoid running through the West Bank, to avoid political complications) would produce 100 MW, at an investment of \$350m.

But the report envisages wider prospects, involving the possibility of seeking peaceful cooperation with Jordan. A canal 150 metres wide would turn Beit Shean into an inland port with container loading docks. An access road 8 kilometres long could be extended from the eastern border, providing the Jordanians with a much-needed outlet to the Mediterranean.

Such a large-scale venture could at the same time yield 700 megawatts of electricity. The current could be shared with the Jordanians, if they saw fit to enter the partnership.

Alternatively, the hydraulic power-station could provide a salutary energy reserve for the Israelis in times of emergency. The 700 megawatts would be provided at peak hours only, since off-peak demand is adequately supplied by the oil-fired stations, which have no option but to operate round the clock.

But if an oil blockade were to shut down some of the country's conventional power-stations, output could be doubled at the hydraulic plant — by simply opening the dam and letting the water operate the turbines 24 hours a day. The whole undertaking would raise the level of the Dead Sea by 100 metres over the coming 20 years, necessitating a dam across the narrowest part of the sea — to protect industrial plants and holiday resorts on the southern shore from flooding.

The dam, of course, could not be built without Jordanian consent, the report observes.

'Washing food is best cholera prevention'

By HAIM SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israel can expect more — but not many cases of cholera before the present epidemic in the region is over, according to Dr. Ted Tulchinsky, director of public health in the Health Ministry.

Dr. Tulchinsky said yesterday that the situation is well in hand, but the health services are still keeping close and constant watch. There are still only two cases, one which definitely came from outside the country and another which may have.

He said that the public health officials have not found any need to close the Jordan bridges to traffic. There have actually been fewer cases of cholera in Jordan this year than last year, he said.

He also indicated that mass inoculation is not necessarily the best form of prevention. The vaccine is often ineffective and serves to mask the carriers of the disease, he noted.

The one effective form of prevention is washing, he said. Water supplies are safe and therefore the only way the disease can travel is on vegetables. Even vegetables carrying the disease are perfectly safe to eat after they have been washed properly, he said.

Dr. Tulchinsky added that Israel is far from perfect in preventing food-borne diseases. Many municipalities don't treat their sewage and others leave garbage uncovered, he pointed out.

Meanwhile, Egypt denied yesterday that cholera has been discovered in Cairo. The Egyptian minister of health, Ibrahim Badran, denied a report by foreign radios claiming that two cholera cases have been located in Cairo. He said that some 4.5 million port and hospital workers have been inoculated and "not one case of cholera has infiltrated into the country."

Jordan yesterday reported 25 new cases, while Lebanon listed two more victims.

But the problems of Jordan, with 514 cases, and Lebanon with 20, were dwarfed by the dimensions of the crisis facing Syria — where nearly 70 have died and over 2,100 others have been stricken.

Twelve persons have died in an outbreak of cholera in the Gilbert Islands, a small Pacific archipelago north of the Marshall Islands. A news service report indicated there are 82 other cases in the epidemic, which is believed to have been caused by contaminated drinking water.

Port dispute over retirements

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Labour Council yesterday declared an official work dispute in Haifa port to protest management's decision to retire 11 employees who have reached the age of 60. The council warned that if the decision is not rescinded, it will start some form of strike action after the 15-day cooling off period.

The council conceded that management is legally authorized to retire employees at the age of 60, though this has not been done in any other public enterprise. But, it said, the retirement was "arbitrary and contrary to justice, and, human relations."

The council also noted that the decision had upset the morale of the entire port staff, because it had made future employment uncertain.

The deputy port manager, Ilan Or, told The Jerusalem Post that the issue of compulsory early retirement has already been tested by the Labour Council in the case of four employees retired last year. Both the District and National Labour Courts had approved management's decision, he said.

Or said that due to mechanization in the port, management is constantly reducing the work force "in the fairest manner possible." Since 1970, the number of employees had been reduced from 3,300 to under 2,000 this month, and another 200 to 300 jobs were redundant. The force had been reduced without opposition so far, through attractive early retirement terms and bonuses, high severance pay, and natural attrition. Management is providing those affected by the compulsory early retirements with pensions as though they were retiring at 65, Or stressed.

"The early retirements affect employees considered unsatisfactory. Jobs no longer needed — such as boat carpenters because the port no longer has wooden boats — and employees who have become redundant, according to Or.

The management claims the only alternative to the early retirement of such workers would be dismissal. In the port there are no employees with less than 10 years' seniority.

Hillel pooh-poohs forecast of major Labour defeat

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Shlomo Hillel, who heads the Labour Party's municipal elections campaign staff, yesterday dismissed a secret report which says his party is liable to lose the coming elections in 15 of the 22 municipalities which Labour controls.

The forecast was made by Yehuda Hersh, director of the Labour Party's municipal department, in a memorandum written last month to party chairman Shimon Peres. The election date has not yet been fixed, but the vote will take place between May and November.

Hersh argued that Labour's power had steadily declined.

Hillel said yesterday it is too early to predict the results since it is not clear who will run for Labour in the various local elections. The Hersh report represents "the view of one person and it has no significance," Hillel maintained.

28,000 people in Israel

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Israel's population reached 2,828,000 at the beginning of the New Year, according to the Central Bureau of Statistics in Jerusalem.

During the past year, the Jewish population increased by 58,000, while the non-Jewish population grew by 20,000.

Some 21,000 persons immigrated to Israel last year, compared with 17,000 the previous year. The immigrants included 7,500 from the Soviet Union, the same as the previous year, and 2,800 from Argentina, compared with 1,300 the previous year.

Bin to explain Bension release

Post Political Reporter

Jerusalem yesterday asked Chairman of the Knesset, Yisroel Harel, to explain the release of Yehoshua Ben-Zion, a member of the Knesset, who was released from prison.

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Row over Communist nationalization bid

French leftist front crumbling

PARIS. — France's three-party leftist alliance, which for most of this year has enjoyed growing support among voters, yesterday faced collapse over Communist demands for radical changes in a joint election platform.

Politicians of the centre-right coalition were jubilant over the opposition's disarray, convinced the left could now easily forfeit its best chance in nearly a generation to win power. The verdict of the financial world was that the prospects of France being ruled by a Socialist-Communist government after the March election have now receded.

The leftist summit broke down on Wednesday night after a row between the Communists and the Socialist Radicals caused the latter to walk out. Yesterday it was suspended indefinitely, since neither the Socialists nor the Radicals showed up at a new meeting proposed by the Communists.

Socialist leader Francois Mitterrand and Communist leader Georges Marchais, in separate statements, said yesterday they were ready to resume the talks, aimed at freshening up the 1972 joint leftist programme outdated by the

world economic crisis that erupted afterwards.

But Leftist Radical leader Robert Fabre maintained his decision to boycott the summit unless the Communists drop their demands for sweeping nationalizations if the left wins next March's general elections.

Mitterrand then declared at a news conference that he was ready to continue discussions only if all three alliance partners take part.

The Radicals, junior partners in the alliance, had refused Communist proposals to extend the number of French businesses to be nationalized if the left wins the elections.

"We are not here to set up a society slipping inevitably toward a state-dominated system or irreversible collectivism," said Radical leader Fabre yesterday.

The power structure in the leftist alliance goes from the most powerful partner, the Socialists with 30 per cent, to the Communists with 20 per cent, and the Leftist Radicals, controlling only about three per cent of the electorate. But those three points will spell the difference if the left wants to win the March elections. If the voting came now, the left would

roll up 53 per cent of the votes, according to polls.

The Radicals now are split, with the leftists having joined the Socialist-Communist alliance in 1972, and the rightist faction being a junior partner of the ruling coalition.

Communist leader Georges Marchais declared yesterday that he was surprised by the rupture. Hinting that he suspected a manoeuvre to outflank him, he added: "Nothing can justify the Leftist Radical Party's unilateral pullout."

Mitterrand's Socialists also have declared opposition to the Communist demands for lengthening nationalization lists.

The Socialists and Leftist Radicals insist on limiting nationalizations to domestic banking and nine large corporations listed in the 1972 common programme. Marchais and his Communists believe they should extend to hundreds of subsidiaries and other smaller businesses.

Other points of discord include minimum and maximum salary levels, civilian and military use of nuclear power and strategy for deployment of French nuclear weapons.

(AP, UPI, Reuters)

Tolkien's last work out

LONDON (AP). — "The Silmarillion," a posthumous epic by Prof. John Tolkien, who started a literary cult with his "Lord of the Rings" 20 years ago, was published yesterday and is widely expected to be a best-seller.

"We have a first edition print of 800,000 in Britain and the U.S.," a record print run for a first edition hardback in Britain, said a spokesman for Allan and Unwin, Tolkien's British publishers.

Tolkien, a South African-born professor of English at Oxford University, had not completed "The Silmarillion" when he died in 1973, aged 81, even though he had worked on it since 1918 when he was in-

validated out of the army after fighting in the trenches of World War I.

The book, planned as his final work, was a mass of jumbled and many times rewritten papers that was to be a description of the pre-history of the mythical and allegorical world of "Middle Earth" that Tolkien created in "The Lord of the Rings."

It was assembled and edited by his son, Christopher, a lecturer in English at Oxford and Tolkien's literary executor.

The concept of "The Silmarillion" predates "The Lord of the Rings" and the appearance of the Hobbits, a race of little people given to overeating and family trees.

Mobutu drops death for former F.M.

KINSHASA, Zaire (AP). — President Mobutu Sese Seko of Zaire yesterday commuted the death sentence of his former foreign minister, Nguzu Karl I Bond, who will now serve a life sentence for treason, the official news agency Azap reported.

Nguzu had been sentenced to death by the state security court on Tuesday for treason during the spring invasion of the Shaba province by former Katanga gendarmes. Nguzu was accused of withholding information from Mobutu.

Mobutu also commuted the death sentence of ex-Col. Mampa Salama, former chief of general staff of the Zairean army, to life imprisonment. The colonel was sentenced to death last August 17, also for collusion in the Shaba invasion.

20 die when U.S. military plane rams mountain

ALBUQUERQUE, New Mexico (AP). — Twenty persons were killed when the C-130 military cargo plane they were aboard crashed into a mountain on Wednesday night just after takeoff from Kirtland Air Force Base, authorities said.

Four bodies were recovered, a base spokesman said.

The multi-engine aircraft was based at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base in Goldsboro, North Carolina. An eyewitness said the plane was flying very low toward his house after take off and that it sounded like it was flying on one or two of its four engines.

Dog sniffs \$550,000 worth of hashish

VENICE (AP). — A police dog led to the seizure of 47 kg. of hashish worth \$550,000 on the market, police said. A Lebanese and his Egyptian friend were arrested.

Police said the two were in a car that had just disembarked from a ferry from Turkey. An anti-narcotic dog smelled the car and a police search produced the drug hidden in secret compartments behind the seats and on their backs.



U.S. Budget Director Bert Lance scratches nose yesterday while testifying before a Senate committee on his personal financial dealings. (AP radiophoto)

Curfew in Colombia; 10 die in labour riots

BOGOTA, Colombia. — Rioting mobs looted a warehouse, stoned banks and blocked streets here yesterday on the second day of violence by workers demanding wage increases. Police sources said 10 persons were killed, 100 wounded and thousands arrested during a 24-hour nationwide strike on Wednesday.

President Alfonso Lopez Michelsen ordered a dusk-to-dawn curfew on Wednesday and said it would remain in effect until order was fully restored.

The Interior Ministry said calm had been restored elsewhere in the nation yesterday, and "the emergency is only in Bogota."

Public transport remained largely paralyzed in the capital and most schools remained closed. But many factories were reopened.

The violence, described as the worst in Bogota in 28 years, accompanied a strike called by all major labour unions to back demands for a 50 per cent pay increase to offset an inflation rate of 45 per cent over the past 18 months. About a third of the

labour force in this nation of 40 million earns less than \$50 a month. President Lopez has refused to grant the increases.

About 100,000 troops and police were mobilized across Colombia to counter the strike and rioting.

On Wednesday, officials said three persons were killed by police firing on looters ransacking a warehouse on the outskirts of Bogota, and one person was killed during a clash between students and police in the town of Duitama, east of the capital.

Heavy army patrols were reported on the streets in major cities throughout the day and there were several clashes involving security forces and strikers.

The army reported that one of five police officers and five civilians were injured in skirmishes. More than 50 vehicles were destroyed by fire in the suburban riots.

The Colombian government is one of the few in South America that is democratically elected. (AP, Reuters)

Full alert in Mexico after 23 bombings by leftists

MEXICO CITY (AP). — The government put 10,000 police and troops on full alert yesterday to hunt for a new leftwing terrorist group that claimed responsibility for the worst rash of bomb explosions in Mexico in decades.

Police said 23 blasts injured five persons and caused an estimated \$20m. worth of damage in Mexico City, Guadalajara and Oaxaca between midnight and 3 a.m. Wednesday. The police said 17 more homemade time bombs were found and disarmed.

Police squads, detective units and special anti-terrorist military squadrons were making surprise searches and manning roadblocks at numerous points in the country.

Leaflets signed by the "Union of the People," an organization not heard of previously, said it was responsible for the bombs. It called other leftwing terrorist groups "chicken" and vowed to bring

Lance to senators: M human rights violate

WASHINGTON. — U.S. Budget Director Bert Lance charged yesterday that allegations of impropriety in his past dealings as a Georgia banker had violated his human rights in "the most irresponsible and destructive manner."

President Carter's close friend and adviser went before the Senate governmental affairs committee with a lengthy prepared statement in defence of his record and reputation. The statement did not say whether he would resign, as some of his Congressional critics have demanded.

"I have worked hard these past eight months in Washington and am proud of the job I have done in the Office of Management and Budget," Lance said.

"But it is part of our American system that a man can be drummed out of government by a series of false charges, half truths, misrepresentations, innuendos and the like," he asked in his 49-page testimony.

Lance has come under mounting pressure in the past few weeks to step down from his influential post, following criticism of his banking and personal affairs before he joined the government in January.

These included overhauls of hundreds of thousands of dollars allowed to Lance and his family by the Calhoun, Georgia, First National Bank which he once headed; controversial loans from other banks; and personal use of bank aircraft.

In regard to loans which his own bank had special relationships, he said: "In no instance was there a finding that the terms of my loans were

more favourable" because of business ties.

Lance vigorously denied backdated any cheques to take income-tax deductions, a possibility suggested of questioning last Friday Senator Charles Percy, Republican on the committee.

Lance told the panel an television audience that against him have been "misrepresented... exaggerated."

"I did not ask for this now that I am in it. I am only for myself but at system," Lance declared.

But even as he spoke, O'Neill, Speaker of the Representatives, told him because of Lance's problems "the image of debt is going down a little."

Carter said yesterday: "I am not going to believe the 'dishonest, incompetent has acted unethically,' will make a decision on director's future after hearings into Lance's affairs."

"I am keeping an open subject, eager to be responsive that are both Carter told the Radio-News Directors Association telephone question-and-answer session.

"I am sure that the decision along with Bert Lance's conclusion of the hearings satisfactory to the people," the President's broadcasters' convention, San Francisco.

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1,300 S. African students arrested at Biko memoria

JOHANNESBURG. — Police yesterday arrested more than 1,300 students of the black university of Port Harare who were holding a memorial service for black student leader Steve Biko, who died on Monday in detention after an eight-day hunger strike.

The death of Biko, who was called "the father of the black consciousness movement" in South Africa, has brought widespread reaction. Several memorial services have already been held in various parts of the country.

Justice Minister Jimmy Kruger has said there is no need for a special inquiry into Biko's death. He told National Party supporters on Wednesday there appeared to be no irregularities in Biko's detention for writing and distributing inflammatory pamphlets or his medical treatment. Kruger added that "Biko's death leaves me cold."

The university of Port Harare, about 128km. east of the Cape Province port of East London, is near King

Williamstown where Biko confined by a government order since 1973.

The students were a national anthem of the 2

— "Nkosi, Sikelele Afrika" — to which students belong, when police vehicles drove up and sportsfields where it was held, a university said.

Riot police, some with took up positions around while the students continued service.

The spokesman said a minutes a policeman women students to leave and, when they refuse male students to board.

A witness said a remarkable about the it was "the total lack of v both police and stud peacefully boarded the

Malawi visit fails to unite Rhodes nationalists Muzorewa and Sithole

SALISBURY (Reuters). — Two Rhodesian nationalist leaders have returned to Rhodesia with little indication that they are prepared to unite to battle for black majority rule in the breakaway British colony.

Bishop Abel Muzorewa, president of the United African National Council (UANC), and Rev. Ndabasingwe Sithole, head of the rival African National Council (ANC), travelled here from Malawi where they had separate talks with President Kamuzu Banda.

A grim-faced Bishop Muzorewa said only that he was "embarrassed" by his Malawi visit. A

jaunty Sithole declared: by it.

But there was no hint that the visit had brought clerics any closer toward nationalist front which capable of negotiating a rule with the white minority of Premier Ian Smith.

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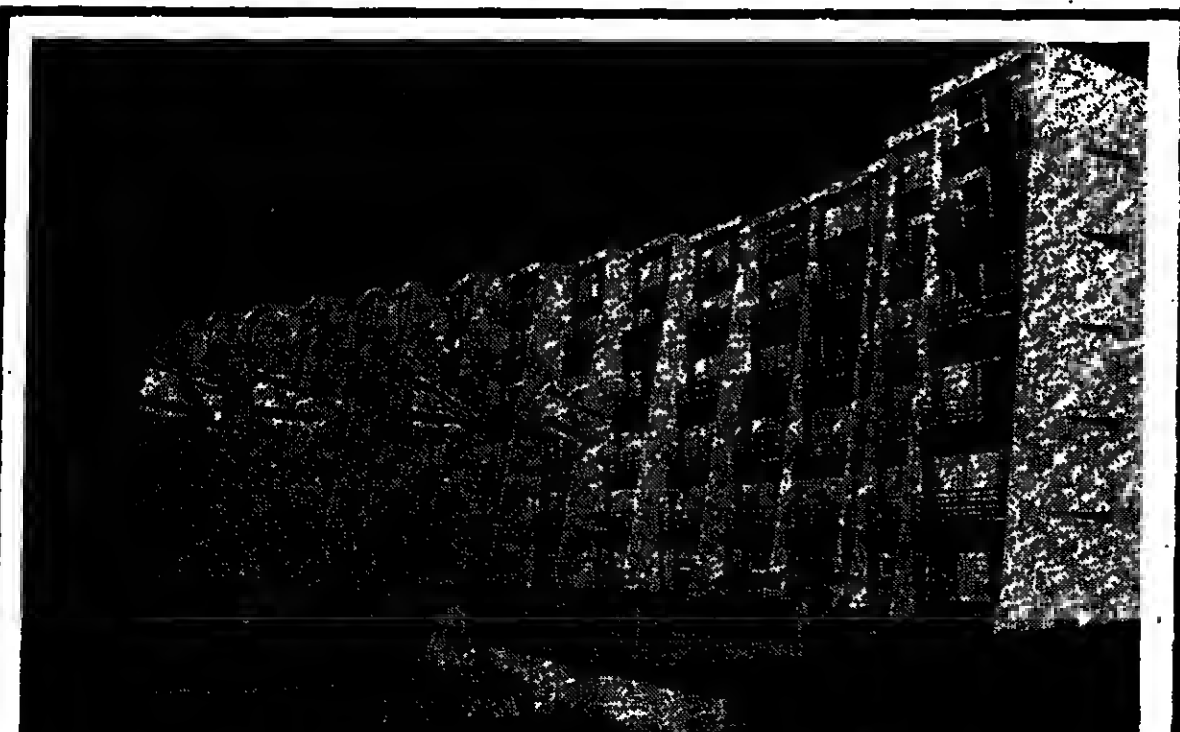
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Schmidt vows anti-terror fight, but only within constitutional limits

By BRIAN ARTHUR
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

ONN. — Chancellor Helmut Schmidt yesterday vowed to fight terrorism in West Germany with every legal means at his disposal, but rejected extreme measures for-
bidden by the Federal Republic's constitution.

The chancellor made the state-
ment to the Bundestag while
negotiations continued between his
government and the terrorists who
are demanding the release of 11 jail-
ed ultra-leftists in exchange for kid-
napped Bonn industrialist Hans-
arlin Schleyer.

As of yesterday, Schleyer had
been held by his abductors
for 10 days in a clandestine "people's
army" which police have apparent-
ly been unable to locate.

Indirect and confidential contacts
between Bonn and the kidnappers
have taken place through a
middleman, Denis Payot, a Geneva
lawyer known for his lobbying in
favor of the Palestinian Arabs and
against Israel.

Despite public pressures, Schmidt
yesterday asserted his "personal
aversion" that Germany should try
to manage the present crisis with
peace, rather than to embark on a
war which many people suggest
would lead to a police state.

Even so, the government has
taken measures which have created
an atmosphere of siege. Federal
order police with armoured cars
have been holed up with rein-

forcements in the capital, while
ministries have imposed an infor-
mation blackout on tactics in the
Schleyer case.

Schmidt meanwhile rebuffed
charges in the foreign — particularly
French and Italian — press that the
new outbreak of violence was a
"peculiarly German" characteristic
which has come back to haunt the
world.

Bonn's relations with Paris have
been strained recently by a German
demand that the French extradite an
alleged West German terrorist now
hiding out in France.

The controversy involves Klaus
Croissant, a former defence attorney
for jailed leaders of the Baader-
Meinhof band of terrorists. Like
several other of the gang's lawyers,
Croissant is suspected of having con-
spired criminally with the terrorists.
Last July Croissant fled to France.

Bonn followed up with an Interpol
arrest warrant and requested his ex-
tradition.

Ostensibly, Croissant — a German
despite his French surname — is in
hiding and French police say they
cannot find him. But the French
state-run television tracked him
down apparently with little difficulty
recently, and last week broadcast an
interview with him from his
"hideout."

The French police claim they are
searching for Croissant, and Presi-
dent Valéry Giscard d'Estaing told
Schmidt by telephone last Tuesday
that he intends to cooperate closely
with the Germans in fighting
terrorism.

At the same time French officials
have indicated that no steps will be
taken against the reporters who in-
terviewed Croissant.

German businessmen buy armoured cars

STUTTGART (Reuters). — Demand
for armoured cars in West Ger-
many has increased following the
kidnapping 10 days ago of
employers' leader Hans-Martin
Schleyer, a spokesman for the
Daimler-Benz automobile concern
here said yesterday.

For 50,000 marks (more than
\$120,000) the firm will arrange for
clients' cars to be protected against
terrorist attacks. Schleyer is a board
member of Daimler-Benz which
makes Mercedes limousines.

NY's Cuomo hit for anti-Semitism

NEW YORK (JTA). — The
American Jewish Congress has
strongly criticized Mario Cuomo
of two candidates in next Mon-
day's primary election run-off for
Democratic party's mayoral
candidate, for saying that if the
Jewish voters elect a Jewish mayor
as will be blamed if things go
wrong for the city.

Cuomo's opponent in the run-off is
Howard Koch, who is also Jewish,
who won 20 per cent of the votes in

Bhutto called murderer' by military ruler

WALPINDI (UPI). — Pakistan's
military ruler General Mohammed
U-Haq on Wednesday described
deposed Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali
Bhutto as "a cold-blooded
murderer."

The government news agency
associated Press of Pakistan
repeated an interview published in
the member issue of the monthly
magazine "Victory Digest" in which
he said he did not have "any sym-
pathy with such people who have
been playing with the honour and
city of the nation for five-and-a-
half years."

We cannot be impartial regard-
ing those who have committed
crimes against the nation. It is the
duty of a government that such
people are fully taken to task," Zia
quoted as saying.

Now the law is taking its course
and can be said on the basis of
evidence that Mr. Bhutto and his
associates will not be able to escape
punishment."

He described Bhutto as the "worst
at and a cold-blooded murderer"



Former Pakistan Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto reading newspaper at first press conference since his release.

and accused him of fraud in the
construction of a hospital in Lahore.
Zia ousted Bhutto in a bloodless
military coup on July 5 after three
months of violence triggered by op-
position charges of massive rigging
in the March elections which were
won overwhelmingly by the former
prime minister's Pakistan People's
Party.

Bhutto was arrested on September
4 on charges of complicity in the
murder of the father of a political op-
ponent. He was released on bail on
Tuesday.

China says it's all right for Japan to rearm

TOKYO. — China's Vice-Premier
Teng Hsiao-ping says his country
favors an expansion of Japanese
defence force because Japan faces
a Soviet military threat, the Kyodo
News Service said in a report from
Peking yesterday.

Kyodo said Teng asserted on
Wednesday that Japan is being "in-
timidated today with Soviet air and
naval units from bases close to
Japan." He was referring to reports
of recent intrusions of Japanese
territorial waters by Soviet air and
naval craft.

Teng made the remarks in talks
with high visiting Diet (parliament)
members of Japan's new Liberal
Club, a political party that split from
the ruling Liberal Democratic Party.

Kyodo quoted Teng as saying he
could well understand why Japan,
which has a security pact with the
U.S., "should regard its relations
with the U.S. of first importance and
those with China next."

In another report on the talks by
the Japanese newspaper "Asahi
Shimbun," Teng said China regards
its 1950 treaty of friendship and
alliance with the Soviet Union as null
and void although it does not expire
until 1980.

China yesterday sent to Paris its
largest military delegation ever
travelling in the West to watch
French war games and inspect
French military hardware. The 15-
man Chinese mission received a
welcome briefing a chief of state in
the flag-decked VIP hall of Orly Air-
field. (AP, UPI).

CABLE. — The undersea telecom-
munications cable which links South
Africa with Europe should be back in
use by today, a communications
spokesman said yesterday.



Italian soldiers search through the debris of a huge advertising billboard which collapsed as youths climbed it to get a better view of the Grand Prix of Italy Formula-one race at Monza near Milan earlier in the week. One youth was killed and four were injured in the collapse. (AP radiophoto)

Atherton: Arms to Egypt serve American interest

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — The Carter Ad-
ministration proposed the \$180m.
sale of military equipment to Egypt,
including 14 C-130 military transport
planes and pilotless reconnaissance
drones, because of Egypt's
"dramatic shift" in policy following
the 1973 Yom Kippur War, according
to Assistant Secretary of State
Alfred Atherton.

This is the rationale behind the
proposed sale, which has aroused
some concern in Congress. The
Senate Foreign Relations Com-
mittee had scheduled hearings on
the sale for Wednesday but postponed
them at the last moment. Atherton
was prepared to make the Ad-
ministration's case before the com-
mittee, and the State Department
had already released his statement
in advance of the hearing.

In the statement, Atherton said the
shift in Egyptian attitudes toward
war and peace has had some "cost"
to Egypt — namely the loss of Soviet
arms supplies. As a sign of con-
fidence, the U.S., therefore, was
proposing the current sale. Atherton
insisted that it was in the "national
interest of the United States" that
the sale go through.

In a related development, neither
the State Department nor the White
House is making any effort to dis-
suade France from selling the
Dassault-Breguet F-1 fighter air-
craft to Egypt, "Aviation Week and
Space Technology" reports.

The magazine quoted an unnamed
Administration official as saying
that the U.S. "has no intention of

Cairo reassures Copts on Islamic clampdown

By DON SCHANCHE
Washington Post News Service

CAIRO. — The Egyptian govern-
ment has promised leaders of the
nation's apprehensive Coptic Chris-
tian community that it will resist
attempts by Moslem conservatives
to impose harsh, traditional Islamic
laws on Egypt.

Prime Minister Mamedouh Salem
pointedly visited Pope Shenouda,
head of the Coptic Church, to convey
the government's assurance on Mon-
day, at the end of a week-long fast
and prayer vigil called by the Copts
to protest the proposed new laws.

Neither the government nor the
church would officially confirm the
purpose of the prime minister's un-
usual call on the pope. But un-
impeachable sources within the
church said Salem promised that the
government would not support a
return to the severe legal penalties
of Islam.

"He said the government will not
even permit the draft of the proposed
law to proceed to the People's
Assembly (Parliament) for debate,"
said a church source.

The Hadd, or law of Islamic legal
punishments, was drafted by a com-
mittee of Moslem religious leaders
and legal scholars at the request of
Moslem conservatives in the
People's Assembly who have been
urging a return to old Islamic
values. Among other measures, it
calls for cutting off the right hands of
thieves, stoning adulterers and
sodomists to death, hanging
apostates who renounce their

Moslem faith and flogging those who
produce, deal in or drink alcoholic
beverages.

The tough Koranic law, if passed,
would apply not only to Egyptian
citizens but to foreign residents and
visitors as well.

The proposed draft was submitted
to the Justice Ministry earlier this
summer. It immediately produced a
wave of apprehension.

At least some of the Coptic fear of
the Hadd centred on the provision of
death for apostates.

While conversions to Christianity
by Moslems are not common and the
church does not attempt to
proselytize, temporary "double con-
versions" as a practical means of ob-
taining divorce are not uncommon.

Since the Coptic church does not
permit divorce, some Coptic men
doggedly resist the restriction by renouncing
Christianity and becoming Moslems,
which gains them the legal right to
break a marriage simply by
repeating to the wife "I divorce
thee" three times in the presence of
witnesses. Many then return to
Christianity, which under the Hadd
would make them subject to execu-
tion for renouncing Islam.

To meet Copts, as to most
Westerners, the punishments of the
Hadd, still applied in arch-
conservative Saudi Arabia, seem
brutally excessive.

A chief, for example, would lose his
right hand at the wrist for a first
offence and his left foot, cut off "in
the middle so that there shall remain
a stump upon which the criminal can
walk," for the second.

Moslem Brothers resurface

Washington Post News Service

CAIRO. — The outlawed Moslem
Brotherhood, an ultra fundamen-
talist politico-religious movement
that once figured prominently in
terrorist activities, including two
attempts to assassinate the late
Egyptian President Gamal Abdel-
Nasser, re-emerged on Wednesday
in its first massive public display in
a generation.

Without fanfare or public an-
nouncement, which would have been
illegal, the Brotherhood attracted
more than 5,000 supporters and sym-
pathizers to a fundamentalist
Islamic religious service marking
the beginning of Id el-Fitr, the three-
day feast that follows the holy month
of Ramadan in the Moslem calendar.

The scene of the devout and
peaceful display was important sym-
bolically, because it took place in the
vast public square facing Abidin
republican palace in Cairo. The
palace presently houses executive
office of Egyptian President Anwar
Sadat, but once was the principal
palace of King Farouk and the scene
of many Moslem Brotherhood and
other political demonstrations.

The Moslem Brotherhood was of-
ficially banned in Egypt in 1949 and
driven completely underground in
1954 after a member emptied a pistol
at Nasser in an abortive assassina-
tion attempt. Some of its leaders
were executed and others, along
with some 4,000 followers, were im-
prisoned. More executions and
jaillings followed another
Brotherhood plot on Nasser's life in
1965.

After freeing the remaining
Brothers still in prison after he took
power in 1971, Sadat kept a tight lid
on their activities until last year,
when he quietly permitted the group
to resume publication of its two of-
ficial magazines.

It was unclear both from the
nature of Wednesday's event and the
ambiguous phrasing of a sermon
delivered after the prayers whether
the Brotherhood intended the affair
as a simple gathering of the faithful
or as a demonstration of political
strength in quickly organizing a
large group of supporters.

U.S. military communications could collapse in nuclear war

By GREG RUSSELL
Washington Post News Service

WASHINGTON. — Vital elements of
U.S. military communications
network, through which a president
detects and responds to threats to
security, are vulnerable and un-
able to hold in all likelihood
down in case of war.

The are frightening prospects,
they are readily demonstrated
by recent events that have
shaken the communications
network and by testimony
given to committees of
Congress.

The situation is sufficiently serious
a House investigating subcom-
mittee stated, in a recent,
notified report, that "most
of our command centres and their
communications networks would not
survive a nuclear attack directed
at them."

Many of those vulnerabilities
were detailed in official report and
hearings since the
1960s — information that
is widely available, but is
not of the problem stems from
complexity of military com-
munication. The worldwide military
command and control system
(C3), through which the
commander-in-chief and the
secretary of defence
communicate with the military
in wartime, is a com-
plex system even the experts
confuse even the experts.
The National Military
Centre, an around-the-
clock centre in a basement
in the Pentagon. In case that
the centre is knocked out by nuclear
attack, an alternate
centre in the Catocum
near Camp David,
Virginia, is ready to take over.

Those are knocked out —
military experts feel they would
be an emergency Boeing 747 air-
craft the most viable command ele-
ment is equipped to enable U.S.
forces to communicate with its
forces from the air.

ICCS, with 28 locations
wide, ties the president to
his headquarters in the pen-
tagon and to lower commands in
Europe and the Pacific. So in-
terven and overlapping are the
intelligence and command
networks, satellites, radars, com-
munication bases that it took a
request from Congress this
year for the Pentagon to put it all
on one chart — which was
secret.

The record of military com-
munications is replete with failures,
stemming in no small part from
the system's complexity. Various
Congressional reports paint the
following picture: at key times,
messages have been garbled
because of poor equipment or human
error, or routed to the wrong head-
quarters. Many communications
sites are not designed to withstand
either nuclear or conventional at-
tack. Key elements of U.S. com-
munications systems are considered
vulnerable to Soviet electronic jam-
ming. There are security deficiencies
in the WWMCCS computer
network. Actual incidents
demonstrate what can go wrong.

For example, during the 1964 Gulf
of Tonkin crisis, which the Johnson
Administration seized upon to ex-
pand the Vietnam War, the
destroyer USS Maddox had dif-
ficulties sending action reports to
higher commands — difficulties that
contributed to what now appears to
be mishandling of the crisis. It took
so long for messages to be flashed
from the Maddox to Washington via
relay stations in the Philippines and
Hawaii that the White House could
not be certain what was really
happening off Vietnam. According to
some sources, messages of enemy
ships from August 2, 1964, were still
pouring into the White House two
days later, and the Johnson staff
mistakenly concluded an attack had
occurred on August 4 that probably
never happened.

Three years later, during the 1967
Arab-Israeli Six Day War, the Pen-
tagon tried and failed for over 13
hours to contact the USS Liberty, on
patrol off Sinai, to order it out of the
danger zone. The messages were not
received, and the ship was fired upon
by the Israelis. It turned out that
messages from Washington had been
directed, apparently through clerical
errors, to naval com-
munications stations in the Philip-
pines and Morocco, and to the
National Security Agency which
directs technical intelligence mis-
sions from Ft. Meade, Maryland.

Similar communications
breakdowns, delays and incorrectly
routed messages plagued U.S.
responses to the 1968 North Viet-
nam attack on the North Koreans when
the U.S. ship and its crew, and the
1969 North Korean shooting down of
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* English setter pup, rare in Israel, son of Israeli champions. 03-524291.

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* Massage accepts for massage, 48 Ben Yehuda, Flat 11, Shabbat also.

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* Pest extermination!! Total extermination with 100% guarantee. IL150 for Tel Aviv apartment, AL Dagani, authorized by Moshe Bar, permit 226, Tel. 03-524291.

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* NEXT GREAT STAMP AUCTION BOOM!! Illustrated catalogue in English IL15. (Refunded at first deal). Zodiac Stamps Ltd., Tel Aviv P.O.B. 4307, 55707 new address: 47 Rehov Gedulah.

* Moked Tel Aviv Municipality, to deal with urgent matters, 24 hour service. Tel. 100 (no fee).

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Personnel Wanted

* Required agents for house to house sales. Excellent conditions for suitable. Tel. 740858 from 08.30-13.00.

* Sewers, upholsterers, cutter, ribbon weavers, maintenance technicians required for factory in Tel Aviv. Tel. 740858, 741118.

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* In textile branch required applicants after army service for shift work, 757137 from 08.00-16.00.

* Kitchens required for round machines. Marat 757137 from 08.00-16.00.

* Machine draftsman (m/f) for permanent work. At least 5 years' experience. 251043.

* For interesting and very prosperous feminine work required women of pleasant appearance of all ages. 25924, 25924.

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* Bookkeeping office requires National 32 operator. 25612.

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* Commercial company requires experienced clerical for office work. 24222, 24222.

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* Plasm Fed requires serious clerk (f) for general office work. Hebrew typing essential, religious preferred. Work hours 8.00-12.00, 13.00-17.00. Tel. 25924, 25924.

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* Diamond setter, largest Israel importer of musical instruments, sales to immigrants and tourists. 210 Dizengoff, Tel Aviv. 53 Hehalutz, Haifa; 43 Heral, Netanya.

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* Maid required, 4 hours daily, references. Tel. 741232.

* Metapet required for kindergarten and school children, 5 days weekly, with housework. 51277.

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* Salon Chen requires advanced assistant and hairdresser, good conditions. 76740.

* Nava Hairdressing Salon requires expert hair stylist (m.f.), excellent conditions. 24244.

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* Elias sales and repairs fully guaranteed, 25 Healya, 52170.

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SPACE REVIVAL ON THE WAY

By CHARLES FOLEY
ANGELES (Ques) — After a spell in the doldrums, the nation's space programme is being revived. NASA's launch of a new shuttle, the Space Shuttle, is a sign of a new era in space exploration. The shuttle is a new type of spacecraft, designed to be launched and recovered like an airplane. It is the first of a new class of spacecraft, the Space Shuttle, which will be used for a wide range of tasks, from launching satellites to exploring the moon. The shuttle is a new type of spacecraft, designed to be launched and recovered like an airplane. It is the first of a new class of spacecraft, the Space Shuttle, which will be used for a wide range of tasks, from launching satellites to exploring the moon.



Artist Yossi Stern sketches a rabbi from Kurdistan in the Jerusalem market. The drawing will be one of many to be included in his forthcoming "People of the Book," a volume in which his drawings will be accompanied by the text from "The Living Bible." The publishers, Interskrift of Sweden, are featuring the volume at a special reception to be held at the Frankfurt Book Fair next month, where Stern will meet prospective co-publishers and the original drawings will be exhibited.

The chain of tradition

BIBLICAL BYWAYS / Louis Rabinowitz

THE PORTION of this week describes Moses' 120th birthday and his realization that it was to be his last day on earth. As he sits in the "Faithful Shepherd" of his flock, his main concern was seeing that his national and his spiritual tasks would be fulfilled. He called upon Joshua, and in the presence of the whole people said to him: "Be strong and of good courage; for thou shalt go with this people into the land which the Lord hath sworn unto their fathers to give them; and thou shalt settle them there" (Deuteronomy 31:7).

Keeping watch on the spots

BRIDGE / George Leviner

IT WAS a spot card, merely the diamond six. But it could have set the contract. In today's rubber bridge game in Tel Aviv between the Maybays of Tel Aviv and the Wolfers of Jerusalem, the power of a low spot card is ignored. Love all. Mrs. Hela Wolfers. NORTH. 10042. SOUTH. 10043. The bidding: EAST SOUTH WEST NORTH. 1 2 3 4. The spade king won the first trick and East shifted to a club. Declarer knew he had to lose three aces, and feared the loss of a second diamond. To prevent the loss of a second dia-

A misguided 'pro-Israelism'

LETTER FROM PARIS / Jack Maurice

ADRIEN BORNSTEIN, 38-year-old publicity manager of a major French manufacturing firm, is developing a well-deserved reputation as the angry young man of French Judaism. He makes no secret of his disillusionment with the Jewish establishment. His militant conception of Zionism irritates when it does not infuriate community leaders. But Bornstein, who has written countless articles and given more than 80 lectures over the past few years, feels he might be winning. By this, he means winning the support of an increasing number of young Jews. That, he believes, is what really matters.

Outstanding events

At his Montmartre apartment, Bornstein outlined his ideas: "Our generation has lived through three outstanding events in the history of the Jews: the Holocaust, the rebirth of the Jewish State and the reunification of Jerusalem. It is alarming to note however, that in spite of these three events, the Jews have not changed their outlook or their habits in the slightest. They have done nothing to create a new balance inside the Jewish world, which is still divided between the Diaspora 'model' and the Zionist-Israeli project. This situation is very serious: it produces the worst imaginable consequences for the integrity of living Judaism."

Concept of the State

He adds: "The concept of the Jewish State as a 'refuge-state', a haven for victims, asylum for survivors, is totally foreign to the concept of Zionism. The Jewish State is the superior and accomplished form of Judaism, as the first Chief Rabbi Abraham Isaac Kook taught: am Torat eretz."

CHESS / Eshkol Shohat

CONTRACTOR. A. HENNINGSEN, Sweden. Tiddlers for 1978, 1979. 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'Carter's luck will not last much longer'

PROF. WALTER LAQUEUR, the eminent historian, believes that the Carter Administration has been lucky so far. "It now has been in power for nearly eight months and it has not faced one serious global crisis," he said.

During an extended interview in his Washington office, Laqueur recalled that former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger was faced with the Yom Kippur War only one month after taking office.

But Carter's luck will not last much longer, the scholar predicted. And only when the new Administration is faced with a serious crisis, "will we be able to have a clearer picture of what it is like — whether it is able to function at a time of crisis, and whether it has all the qualities one expects from a government during such a time."

Laqueur, who is considered an authority on the Soviet Union, was asked whether the Kremlin's leadership will test the Carter Administration.

"I think they have been testing it," he replied matter-of-factly. "Not in such a dramatic way as in Cuba during the early 1960s; but they think that the Administration is under domestic pressure to reach a new SALT agreement, which will be a little more favourable to the Soviet Union than to the U.S. At the same time, there may be a little testing in the Middle East or in Africa. What form it will take, we do not know."

But Laqueur quickly makes the point that the Russians also have problems of their own — something that people here often forget. One of

their major problems, he said, is the question of productivity, which has been going down during the past few years. He said that this is a long-term problem, one which will bedevil the Soviets during the 80s. In the past, this issue didn't "matter so much because there was an infinite reservoir of people from the countryside who could come to town. Now, this does not exist, and productivity, the growth rate, is going down, despite the Soviet Union's oil and minerals."

Unfortunately for the Soviets, most of their oil and minerals "are in places where it's either impossible or very expensive to get to them."

THE SOVIETS also have other problems. Their allies in Eastern Europe have "suffered as much as the West from the oil crisis and from the rising price of minerals."

"In other words, the Soviet Union, which benefited since 1973 from some of these countries, now has to help them. And if Moscow doesn't help, it may face serious political difficulties, especially in Poland."

Laqueur said the Soviets also have a "biological" problem. "The leadership is now over 70 years old, without exception. He noted that the elevation of Leonid Brezhnev to the posts of president and first party secretary does not mean that all power is now concentrated in his hands."

"On the contrary," he said. "It means that his colleagues were willing to give him that power because the country recognizes that he is either because of his age or his other

The Soviet Union may try to test the mettle of the new American President in the Middle East or Africa. Or Washington may face problems with its European allies. One thing that is clear is that Washington will face a crisis in the not too distant future. International affairs expert WALTER LAQUEUR explains why to Post Washington correspondent WOLF BLITZER.

infirmities — is no longer in a position to be a dictator. And he probably doesn't even want to be one."

Laqueur feels that "sooner or later — probably in 1978 — there will be a shift, new people will come in. I think the struggle for power has already begun. It could be very interesting indeed because, in Russia, basically nothing much has changed on the domestic front or in foreign affairs since Khrushchev's fall some 15 years ago."

Laqueur is not so much interested in knowing who the new Russian leadership will be, but "what will they stand for." He says that it is difficult to know whether they will be more interested in domestic or foreign affairs. But they probably won't have much choice. "If you are a leader of a superpower, you are drawn into foreign affairs," he noted.

"It could well be that these younger, more dynamic people will

have to prove themselves — something which Brezhnev and Kosygin did not have to do because they were at the top for a long time. The new leaders will have to show that they are worthy successors. So here again, seen in this light, 1978 could be a very interesting year."

WHAT ABOUT U.S.-Soviet relations in general? Laqueur is not all that concerned about the recent worsening in ties between the superpowers. He does not blame Carter's human rights policy or any "mistakes" of the new Administration. It was "a natural result" of the animosities following the inflated expectations of the 1972-73 period, when "there was all the rhetoric of détente, generations of peace, and so on."

American businessmen expected big deals, which did not really materialize. "Something materialized but nothing as formidable as they thought," he said. "And progress in

SALT has been much slower than expected. At the same time, there have been disputes in various parts of the world — the Middle East, Africa and elsewhere."

Washington's relations with China are not improving as quickly as had been anticipated, according to Laqueur. "Again," he said, "the Administration does not know what to do. On the one hand, it would not make a good impression to give up Taiwan. On the other, the Chinese themselves appear not to be in that much of a hurry to establish (full) relations with the U.S."

Laqueur also discussed briefly America's relations with its allies in Western Europe. "A few months ago, Carter went to England and everyone came away from the talks and said that relations were excellent and would be even better. But events since then have shown that relations really are not all that good."

He gave as an example the fact that the West Germans are not pleased about the value of the dollar going up.

"There hasn't yet been a real crisis; but it is quite likely that there will be one or more in the not too distant future," he warned.

In what areas? "It could be in the economic field, because no Western country has quite overcome the effects of the big depression from 1973 to 1975. Inflation goes on, not at the same rate as before, but still much higher than before the depression. The question of unemployment, and especially of unemployment among the younger generation,

which is a very serious problem in view of its political implications, is a very serious one."

There could also be crises in non-economic areas. Laqueur mentioned the situation in Italy, and the elections in France next spring. Violence, however, is not expected there, as it is in Africa.

THE HORN OF Africa is a problem area. "America and the Soviet Union — first the Soviet Union — got involved in the Horn. And fighting continues there. And we have the situation in South Africa, which in all probability will go on for years."

Then there is the Middle East, where several crises are going on. Not just the Arab-Israeli dispute. "Most dramatic, of course, was the recent fighting between Egypt and Libya. We all know that the situation in Syria is not that stable, and that Iraq has been trying to create some mischief for a long time. Saudi Arabia has been very actively intervening in various parts of Africa. In addition to the Middle East. To what extent the Saudis will be successful is too early to say."

Laqueur said that even Iran, "which was considered very stable as a result of its enormous income from oil, has seen a change of government recently."

"So I would say very boldly that 1978 will be a year of instability in the economic and political field. This does not mean anything catastrophic. I simply mean that 1977, seen in retrospect, was probably a quiet year, whereas 1978 will be a little less quiet." □



The first part of this book with scholar Walter Laqueur on the Middle East and U.S. relations appeared in TI Bosh Hashana magazine Monday.

Italian Communists woo youth with rock stars at summer fest

By VICTOR SIMPSON

MODENA, Italy (AP). — Italian Communists are serving up Cuban cocktails, Hungarian goulash and pasta by the ton at their annual festival, but for the first time are having to swallow a potentially serious challenge on their left flank.

The National Festival of Unity, a Marxist fair used to raise money for the party newspaper, is trumpeting the Communists' big political gains since they won 34 per cent of the vote in elections last year.

Thousands of faithful trekking the fair grounds to watch the Omka dancers, hear Italian and foreign pop stars, run their hands over Bulgarian leather coats, and gaze up at huge placards in the green, white and red Italian tricolor proclaiming: "The programmatic accord closes an era of division and discrimination" — referring to the agreement with the ruling Christian Democrat Party giving the Communists a voice in policy-making and bringing them nearer to some power than they have been in 30 years.

The event, being held in this Communist-run city in the so-called "Red Belt" around Bologna, is the climax to 800 smaller festivals staged around the country this summer to spread the party's message and

attract new voters. But the festivals have also generated an unprecedented amount of anti-Communist violence by leftist youths who in the past were counted on as potential party supporters.

The youths have crashed party pop concerts, refusing to pay the 1,000 or 2,000 lire (1 lire to 122) admission price, beaten up party officials and accused the Marxists of selling out their principles in an accommodation with the Christian Democrats.

The violence had its roots in a student occupation of the University of Rome last spring when leftist youths chased Communist union leader Luciano Lama off the campus. He told them to study, not demonstrate, but they accused him of being more interested in protecting the jobs of his workers than finding jobs for graduates. Of Italy's 1.3 million unemployed, 73 per cent are under 25.

Then in June, a leftist student was shot dead in Bologna and the city shut down a private student-radio station authorities accused of instigating violence.

Leftist extremists have now called a weekend rally in Bologna September 24, and the Communists are demanding that order be kept.

The Modena festival has been violence-free, but the Communists are jittery. There was some ap-

prehension when a group of long-haired youths walked into the festival blowing horns and clanging gongs, but they turned out to be young party delegates from Naples.

"Too much is being made of leftist anti-Communism," said a party functionary trying to minimize the challenge. "Look, in the last election the Communists and the Christian Democrats got 90 per cent of the youth vote. How many people are we talking about?"

The party appears to have gone out of its way, however, to bring in high-name entertainers to capture a youthful audience. Perhaps its biggest catch is Carlos Santana, the American Latin rock star, who is scheduled to appear tonight. Tickets are scaled down to 2,000 lire, a third of the usual price for a top pop concert in Italy.

As in past years, the Soviets and Eastern European countries have individual booths peddling such items as Russian dolls, and Yugoslav blouses. A Hungarian restaurant features Gypsy violinists while an East German snack bar serves up sauerkraut and wurst.

While the Italian Communists have tangled with Moscow over human rights and dissent — only recently the Italians protested the Soviets' refusal to issue a visa to an



Enrico Berlinguer, head of the party, but not star of the festivities. (AP Wirephoto)

Italian for the Moscow book fair — the issues are being played down here.

Instead, the East European stands emphasize "positive achievements" — Hungary for example stating, "unemployment doesn't exist. On the contrary, there is ample possibility of selecting any of various jobs."

But unlike past years, there is no "guest of honour country," a decision reportedly made to avoid any embarrassment of letting country whose relations with the Italian Communists might be strained at the time.

The party says it has spent 450 million lire, nearly half a million dollars, to stage the two-week Modena festival, which ends Sunday with an appearance by party leader Enrico Berlinguer, expected to attract 200,000 persons.

Dealing with a river scourge

By DAVID LAMB

Washington Post News Service. WAYEN, Upper Volta. — Long ago, a terrible scourge struck the people along the Volta river. It stole their sight and turned them into men and made their skin as wrinkled and leathery as elephant hide.

Even now, after so many generations, the old and blind chief of Wayen village does not understand the source of his people's misery. All he knows with certainty, he explains, is that as long as anyone can remember, the people have fallen sick and blind in great numbers, and he supposes they always will.

Chief Tonsana Ba is a tall, handsome man of simple dignity. He nods approvingly at an offering of a dozen wolans and, finding a comfortable spot on the bare ground, sits amid a group of villagers. They carry ancient wooden hoes, and their legs are as thin as twigs, their eyes flooded with milky whiteness.

Perhaps, the chief says, one-third of the adults in Wayen are blind. But almost everyone is sick. The

children, who act as human guide-dogs for the sightless, sit scratching their arms and legs with rough stones, trying to soothe the cracked skin that burns with the itch of hurled worms. They rest uneasily and sleep fitfully, tormented like their elders by a mysterious fate they cannot comprehend.

Their disease is called onchocerciasis, or more commonly, blindness. Now the target of a World Health Organization campaign, it is transmitted by tiny black flies, or buffalo gnats, that breed along the banks of fast-moving waters.

The female fly lives by sucking blood. Fixing on humans already suffering from onchocerciasis, the fly becomes infected, then passes the disease to other humans in the form of worms. The worms live and breed under the skin of the victim's scalp, ribs and limbs.

A person afflicted by numerous bites over the years may harbour hundreds of worms. They destroy the elastic layer of skin, causing itching so constant and painful that suicide is common. They also penetrate the eye, where eventually they cause partial or blindness.

As many as 20 million throughout the world suffer from onchocerciasis. It is common in parts of Latin America — it has been carried there by slave trade — and in West Africa's Volta River where one million people are blind, and 70,000 are blind to the WHO.

The WHO campaign to eradicate — no one tall eradication — began Regional headquarters Ouagadougou, about 50 km here, and the effort now in people, an annual expense of \$10m, and the support of Bank.

In addition to complex systems, medical studies a research, the attack to destroying the black flies river banks with a low-tox gradable compound sprays, airplanes and helicopters. less-infected countries like the files have actual eradicated, river by river.

Eleonora Levov, 21, w from Russia four years studies with her father, selection of pieces with a used technical fluency to musical interest. Violinist I Reisman, 22, a student of Y did not show any musical d though his small-tone volun pensated for by clean inton pianist, Uriel Tzacher, 18, with Mindra Katz, had to k background so as not to co colleague. He made the hes sion of the three though he show his personality enou the circumstances. Doe "Sharet" Fund have more material among its sch winners? YOHANAN

Unexciting artists

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perhaps through an experienced emcee. Or by shifting the stage to the side wall so the pulpit could sit closer to the artist. This might even improve the acoustical conditions.

The young artists — scholarship recipients through the "Sharet" Fund of the America-Israel Cultural Foundation — are all still students in their formative stage.

Alcoholic nightmare sobers Australia

By PETER DEELEY

MELBOURNE. (Ofta). — When Australia abolished the "six o'clock swill" — the barbaric ritual that combined early evening closing hours with staggering drunkenness — it was an attempt to improve the country's beery image.

Yet ten years later, the nation is in the grip of what Bob Hawke, the present of the Confederation of Traders' Unions, believes is fast becoming "the all-Australian nightmare" — alcoholism.

At the last official count, about 5 per cent of the adult population were known alcoholics, the cost to the economy in lost working time and reduced efficiency was \$700m. annually and, most frightening of all, the number of women and young people with "drink problems" was climbing rapidly.

Australians have always been noted for their drinking prowess: the eight of cavernous eskie (portable ice-boxes) filled with beer is a familiar one wherever two or more men are gathered together and the "great Australian thirst" is a catchword in a nation that ranks ninth in the world league table of drinking peoples.

A short time ago, criticism by government or private agency of these drinking habits would have met with abuse or even physical retaliation. But today, amongst the litter of bottles and cans, Australia is starting to take a more sober view of the drinking scene — and is extremely worried by what it sees.

The New South Wales young Liberals have called for a ban on alcohol advertising; 15 brewers have pledged \$100,000 annually to investigate the dangers of drink, and the ACTU employers federation and the NSW government have launched a joint employee assistance programme for alcohol and drug problems. When it conducted a seminar recently, Qantas, the civil service and private firms sent along delegates.

They heard Bob Hawke say: "We want the problem drinking employee on the assembly line treated with the same sensitivity as the problem drinking manager in the executive suite. Cover-up and dismissal must make way for treatment and recovery."

The federal government has given \$300,000 this year to alcoholism and drug dependent foundations. Des Call, president of the South Australian foundation, says the number of women alcoholics there has trebled in five years, particular-

ly among the middle-aged. "Women's liberation has done much to encourage women to go to bars and hotels to drink after work," he claims.

A recent study of 10,000 people at Sydney University showed that 68 per cent of women questioned admitted to "a dangerous level of drinking" compared with 48 per cent of men. The survey attributed women's increasing addiction to drink as primarily caused by boredom.

The latest government figures show that Australians spend \$1 on alcohol for every \$3 they spend on food. They consume by about five million gallons of beer, 40 million gallons of wine and four million gallons of spirits.

Paradoxically, Australians are now drinking less beer. Its consumption has fallen by about five million gallons in the last year, but this has been more than matched by the turn to wines and spirits.

The Australian male until recently regarded wine as "pooter's punch." Today, however, a massive increase in vineyard cultivation, improved production techniques and expensive marketing has left the country afloat in an abundance, particularly of reds. In ten years, wine drinking — in bottles, huge glass flagons and cardboard cases (the wine is sealed inside in plastic skins complete with tap) has doubled.

Outside Australia, its wine is virtually unknown. But locally-made beer has reached the international market in large quantities. Apart from Britain, Foster's, for instance, is now a part of the American market. It landed seven million cans there in 1974-75 and Swan Brewery is beginning to sell on the East Coast.

Whether a drinks advertising ban could ever be effectively applied — even if the ad agencies and the brewers agreed — is a moot point. How could it cope with a shot of former Australian tennis champion, John Newcombe, after a tennis finals, clutching a can and saying "I drink five of these after every five 'setters'?" And when three senior Australian cricket professionals claimed a 20 per cent record of 42 large cans during their flight from Sydney to London, the achievement rated national headlines here. The image of the "dinkum Aussie" clutching a "tinny" in each hand may be economically harmful, but it's going to take some burying.

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Collision with Carter

EVER SINCE the end of 1967 — after the Arabs at the Khartoum conference rejected the notion of granting Israel peace in exchange for territory — there has been a simmering dispute between Israel and the United States.

Stated simply, the U.S. denied the legitimacy and the practicability of Israel's holding on to the territories captured in 1967, despite the Khartoum negatives. Moreover, the U.S. held that, in a peace settlement, Israel should withdraw from these territories, including the West Bank, virtually in toto.

Recognized borders alone would provide secure borders, the Americans argued. Israel contended that only secure borders could lead to recognized borders.

This difference illustrated a basic premise in American thinking about the Arab-Israeli conflict: when the Arabs said "no" — especially collectively as at Khartoum — it meant "no," when Israel said "no," it meant "no, but."

As a result the U.S. accepted as an immutable fact that the Arabs could never agree to hand over Arab territory to the Jewish State. Peace based on significant territorial compromise was out of the question. But when Israel said it would never return to the 1967 borders, the Americans were less impressed. "Perhaps not exactly 1967," they told themselves, "but something very, very close."

In part, these contrasting U.S. perceptions about the mutability or reasonableness of Arab and Israel positions arose from the sense that Washington had greater leverage over Israel. Perhaps they were also due to ambiguities in Israel's position. Yet because the Arabs refused to declare any readiness to consider peace with Israel, this dispute between Jerusalem and Washington over the territorial issue remained largely veiled, until 1973. And with it, also hidden from clear view, was the American tendency to accept the immutability of collective Arab policy.

Since 1973, a second point of conflict has arisen between Israel and the United States — the disposition of what is known as the problem of the Palestinians. Prior to the Yom Kippur War, the issue was seen as a problem of refugees on the one hand, and occupied Jordanian territory — namely the West Bank — on the other. Jordan was viewed, by the U.S., as the "logical negotiator" for the West Bank.

Slowly this conception began to change. When, in 1974, the Rabin conference made the PLO "the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinian People" Washington switched as well. Turning its back on Jordan and defying known Israeli views, the U.S. sought ways of "bringing the Palestinians into the negotiating process."

Once again American policy-makers accepted a collective Arab decision as a fact of life and discounted the finality of Israel's warnings that it would not agree to any moves that could promote establishment of a Palestinian state.

Mr. Carter and his administration have gone even further in flouting Israel's position. They have declared the need for a "homeland" for the Palestinians, sought to ease the way for PLO participation in Geneva, and now have said more or less that Palestinian participation in Geneva talks has become a specific American responsibility.

All of these American actions are distinct steps in the direction of a Palestinian state. They are equally distinct steps in the direction of a bitter clash with Israel. They have been taken because, as in the past, the U.S. believes Israel more malleable and more susceptible to American pressure.

It should be made plain that this is a most dangerous American course. Even in Israel, the U.S. view on the territorial issues was considered legitimate, even if it was not widely accepted. But American support for a Palestinian state would pit the Carter Administration against virtually the entire Jewish citizenry of Israel.

It is a formula for absolute deadlock. Therein lies its danger. It is also a formula which will elicit the full measure of Jewish determination and resilience in the face of what must be conceived as an elementary threat to Israel's existence.

It is, moreover, a formula which does not seem to be necessary. The problem of the political status and self-expression of the Palestinians can be resolved without a third state wedged between Jordan and Israel.

It can, therefore, be argued that American support of a Palestinian state and American courting of the PLO are motivated by a more specifically American interest — namely, an interest in Saudi Arabia, whose feudal rulers would prefer to keep the radical Arab terrorists busy running a state of their own, rather than intimidating or blackmailing them.

Whether or not such a motivation is a factor in American policy and statements on the Palestinians, there can be no doubt that they collide directly and unambiguously with Israel's most vital interests.

Mr. Begin and Mr. Carter, understandably perhaps, have decided to refrain from airing their differences in public. This may ease private communication, but it does not conceal the grave conflict that now exists.

SINCE TAKING office last January, President Jimmy Carter has met with four Israeli former Prime Ministers: Yitzhak Rabin, Ashkenazi Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren, Prime Minister Menachem Begin and Ambassador Simcha Dinits. Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan, who meets with Carter next Monday at the White House, would do well to go over the minutes of those earlier meetings, and to draw some lessons from them if he hopes to make an impact on the President.

As is well known by now, Carter and Rabin did not hit it off, to put it mildly. Carter had hoped that Rabin would privately show some flexibility in presenting the Israeli position, but the then Prime Minister refused to go further in private than he would in public. Carter was disappointed. Besides, their personalities just did not mesh.

On the other hand, the President liked Chief Rabbi Goren, finding him sincere and honest, even though Carter disagreed with several of the Rabbi's fundamental beliefs regarding the Land of Israel. White House aides make the point that Carter was genuinely impressed by the Chief Rabbi's biblical references.

During their talks in Washington in July, Carter and Begin seemed to hit it off. They both stressed the positive in their statements, one heaping praise upon the other. And Carter came away from the more than five hours of talks convinced

that there was some flexibility in the Begin stance.

WHAT SEEMED to spoil the start of an apparently positive relationship was Begin's decision to go ahead with new settlements beyond the "green line" in advance of a renewed Geneva conference.

Presidential aides have passed the word that the President was very disappointed when Prime Minister's office even "hinted" by them. Unless Begin should change his Government's policies on the settlement issue, it is unlikely that Carter would roll out a very red carpet for the Prime Minister the next time he comes to Washington. In fact, some Administration officials say Carter is so mad at Begin that he would rather not see him at all in the near future.

Carter has a good relationship with Ambassador Dinits, whom he has known for more than four years. A month after Dinits arrived in Washington in 1973, the Israeli envoy flew to Atlanta, Georgia, to present

Taking his cue from some recent history, The Post's Washington correspondent WOLF BLITZER offers

Foreign Minister Dayan some tips for his meeting with President Carter, which is due next Monday.

How to succeed with Carter

the then Governor Carter with an Israel Bonds Award, and to spend the weekend at the Governor's mansion.

The President today has high regard for Dinits. He respects Dinits as a capable diplomat who accurately represents his Government's positions. Dinits, moreover, can "speak the President's language," having spent a great many years in the U.S.

While leads us to the fifth Israeli who will shortly meet Carter — Moshe Dayan.

ON PAPER, Dayan has all the qualifications to get along well with the President. The foreign minister is a known quantity among Americans, a recognized figure widely appreciated for his wartime leadership. Despite the setbacks sustained during the initial phase of the Yom Kippur War, the ex-general is still one of the most popular Israelis in the U.S. ranking right up there with Golda Meir and Abba Eban.

Dayan is also respected among the foreign policy bureaucracy in Washington. He was well liked by former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger because of his innovative concepts. And Kissinger's praise for Dayan filtered down through the State Department.

This has caused quite a number of people in Washington to expect Dayan to be carrying in his bag new ideas designed to break the current impasse in the negotiations.

Already, Dayan has laid the groundwork for a successful visit by presenting his proposals for a solution to the West Bank problem, one based on a functional division of authority. "The Dayan Plan" has been well received in newspaper editorials so far (both "The New York Times" and "The Washington Post" have called on the Administration to give it serious consideration).

There is another advantage that Dayan has going for himself. To Americans, the eye-patched general-turned-diplomat has undoubted charisma. Like him or not Dayan

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It may, however, be possible to circumvent this provision by presenting the presidential pardon, or reduction of sentence, in verbal terms only, thus eliminating the need for a signature and counter-signature. And, in fact, a President has granted pardons without the approval of the Justice Minister.

But whatever the constitutional position may be, one thing is absolutely clear: a presidential pardon has nothing whatever to do with law or with the judicial process. It is purely an act of mercy exercised at the discretion of the President and of which it cannot or, at least, it should not — be based on public opinion, which can be notoriously unmerciful and changeable, depending on the mood of the moment.

Furthermore, any such presidential act cannot be deemed to be in defiance of a parole board's negative decision or in contradiction of the High Court of Justice's affirmation of such a decision. Because, firstly, the considerations by which the President is moved are completely divorced from those by which the parole boards should be moved; and, secondly, the whole institution of

presidential pardons is independent of, and additional to, the judicial process (if it were to bow to the latter, it would be completely superfluous).

TO PASS from the general to the particular, let us consider the Ben-Zion case. The President had already received appeals to pardon Ben-Zion, or at least reduce his sentence, when Mr. Zadok was Justice Minister.

He then set in motion the wheels of investigation and became personally convinced that it would be a justifiable act of mercy to reduce Ben-Zion's sentence from actual imprisonment to a suspended sentence (while leaving the fine imposed by the courts intact), because of his very precarious state of health.

At the time, however, the President was given to understand by Mr. Zadok that he would not agree to any such act of mercy for reasons which he considered well-founded. (Mr. Zadok believes that since ill-health is one of the grounds stated in the law for release by a parole board, it should not also serve as a reason for presidential pardon.) President Katzir, unlike his predecessors, was not prepared to exercise his presidential prerogative against the wishes of the minister.

But then there was a change of government and, in addition, further medical evidence suggested that the President's fear that he might have Ben-Zion's death in prison on his conscience. He therefore decided to sound out Mr. Begin in his capacity as acting Justice Minister, and he found a ready ear. (While still in the Opposition, Begin had advocated

that the presidential prerogative exercised in Ben-Zion's case. So, having obtained approval, the President, Ben-Zion's sentence to a one (but did not pardon, cancel his fine) and then his immediate release.

NOW, ALTHOUGH the Ben-Zion case is a release case, President, it is most unlikely that he would have taken this Ben-Zion's wishes. Therefore, the President's decision to pardon Ben-Zion is a case of public morale, a near-hysteria over corruption in the country. For say the critics, Begin have risked tarnishing the head of the government.

In other words, Begin gone against his personal about the just-releasing Ben-Zion from sacrificed the convicted, the good of the country at Ben-Zion's personal, he could not very simply, and even deciding to release the future Justice Minister pointed a blurry.

But it seems to me that Begin's credit that he temptation to do so, and the courage to risk his image by consenting to pure mercy and clemency was convinced that individual was at stake this conviction was not irrelevant, since on personal opinion.)

And it is even more credit that he regarded individual as more important expediency — deed rare and unusual cynical times.

Setting out the law on presidential pardons, DORIS LANKIN suggests that Prime Minister Begin acted both

rightly and creditably when, as Acting Justice Minister, he recommended the release of Yehoshua Ben-Zion.

Pardons in perspective

In exercising this prerogative, the President may only be moved by considerations of compassion and clemency. But in order to decide whether an application for mercy can be justifiably granted, he must examine each case thoroughly on the basis of reports from the prison service, the social welfare authorities, medical experts, and whatever other source he feels called upon to consult.

Since the President does not have a large organizational staff at his disposal, most of this information is gathered for him by the office of the Justice Minister, and only where the President feels he requires additional facts will he initiate further enquiries through his own legal assistant.

Before making up his mind finally the President will consult the Justice Minister. The President is not, however, bound by law to accept the minister's opinion, since the decision to grant a pardon or to lighten a penalty comes within his sole and exclusive authority.

But the practice has grown through the years of the President accepting the recommendation of the Justice Minister, although there have been two or three occasions in the past when Presidents have granted pardons over the objections of the Justice Minister, and even two or three instances when the minister's recommendation for mercy was rejected.

CONSTITUTIONAL EXPERTS say that while the President may justifiably reject a recommendation for pardon or reduction of sentence by the Justice Minister, he cannot

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READERS' LETTERS

THE AMERICAN CONSERVATIVES

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I am an American conservative, and a Jew, who for many years has welcomed The Jerusalem Post by air-mail from Israel with great pleasure. It is one of the great newspapers of the world, intelligently written with a minimum of journalistic bias so prevalent in today's media.

For many years, I have as well closely read "Human Events," also an excellent journal which correctly reflects American conservative thinking. Thus I was qualified to comment on Mr. Steven Lowy's article from Washington, "The American right warms up to Israel" (August 18) about which he demonstrates misleading and superficial understandings.

Those Americans who are the true spiritual and intellectual leaders of conservative thought are on the whole supporters of Israel. Certainly there are exceptions, and of course there is a small number of rabid far rightists who are anti-Semitic, but American conservatives are not bigots; "rightist" extremists are not the voice of true conservatism in America today. So why does Mr. Lowy claim that support by conservatives is "not overwhelming"? Who measured that, other than Mr. Lowy? Mr. Lowy's statement that "Human Events" "surprised many of its readers...featuring pro-Israel editorials..." was deceptive. I have not seen "anti-Zionism or anti-Semitism" in "Human Events" in the many years I have read it.

Mr. Lowy apparently is not aware that some of the strongest supporters of Israel, not to mention its largest donors, are conservative. He also apparently does not understand that there is a strong shift in America of some of our best intellectual Jews from left to right. It is about time that Jews woke up and discovered that the left promotes tyranny and that we Jews thrive only in a free society.

It is high time that left-liberal Jews who largely support the U.S. Democratic Party, who are often innocent dupes of left-wing ideology, realize that our deepest self-interest and even our lives depend upon a government which is limited. That is the essence of conservative philosophy, getting bureaucracy out of our personal and especially our economic lives.

Our friends are not among the left, whether from Russia or the leftist PLO supported by the Russians, nor in America among the left-liberals of which many, however, are Jews loyal to Israel.

I wish Israel itself could learn that Begin's victory and his apparently conservative political philosophy are, in my opinion, part of a swelling tide of recognition by Jews and non-Jews alike, that economic freedom, government restraint in inextricably connected to personal and spiritual freedom.

It is too bad that many Jews, also Israel's friends as I am certain Mr. Lowy is as well, do not understand the new-found power and, I say, the beauty of the American conservative movement which gives me hope for our future.

SIDNEY JAFFE
Chicago, Illinois.

MORTGAGES FOR IMMIGRANTS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — We refer to Mr. Murray S. Greenfield's letter ("Mortgages for Immigrants," August 26).

Tefahot's response to the State Comptroller's report will be made in accordance with the procedures established by law and by the Government Companies Authority which are binding upon us.

As to Mr. Greenfield's complaint about the practice of requiring guarantors on housing loans to new immigrants, we wish to clarify:

a. New immigrants who are unable to produce the guarantors required on mortgages (for several years, been permitted to obtain their loan without guarantors upon paying additional interest of one-half of one per cent.

b. Mr. Greenfield also appears to be unaware of the fact that most of the apartments in Israel haven't yet been registered in the Land Registry. Consequently a legally enforceable mortgage to secure the loan cannot be registered. Even where a

mortgage can be registered, procedures for foreclosing (unlike those in many countries) extremely cumbersome and expensive situation has given rise to banks in Israel to require on loans.

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